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Syria discussing Soviet involvement in the event of war

ZURICH. — Syria and the Soviet Union are currently discussing the possibility of Syria receiving direct Soviet military assistance in the event of it being attacked by Israel, Syrian President Hafez Assad said last night.

Interviewed in German on Swiss television, Assad said: "Until now, we have never requested direct Soviet aid in the event of an attack by Israel, but now the subject is under intensive discussion."

Assad referred to the friendship and cooperation agreement, signed three years ago between the two countries, and stressed too the existing firm relationship between his nation and the Soviet Union.

Turning to Lebanon, Assad said he would order his forces to leave only after the Israeli forces had withdrawn completely. The Israel-Lebanon agreement had been cancelled and Lebanon had regained its sovereignty.

"In reality there is only one foreign army in Lebanon — Israel's. There is no comparison between the Israeli army and the Syrian — our forces and those of the Lebanese are as one," he said.

Assad blamed the U.S. for supporting one side against the other in Lebanon. Since the U.S. is not adopting a neutral role, it has no part to play in the Lebanon situation, he said.

Meanwhile in Washington, Syrian Foreign Minister Abdel-Halim Khaddam said Syria's only concerns in Lebanon are forcing Israeli withdrawal and securing national unity.

In an interview with *Middle East Insight* magazine, he said his government would open negotiations for a troop withdrawal from Lebanon only after an unconditional Israeli pullout is completed.

At that point, he said, Syria would "discuss everything that helps protect and secure a peaceful unity of independent Lebanon."

Khaddam accused the U.S. of pursuing "colonial interests" in the Middle East and said a military clash in Lebanon between Syria and Israel was possible "as long as there are colonial expansion plots and as long as the Palestinians are deprived of their rights." (AFP, AP)



Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Moshe Levy participates in a briefing for IDF troops on maneuvers yesterday, somewhere in Israel. (IDF photo)

Some pressing for Sharon as finance minister Premier won't ask Weizman to take Finance

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Sources in the cabinet and the Likud said yesterday they did not believe that Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir would soon invite former Defence Minister Ezer Weizman to join his cabinet, but some Likud leaders were reportedly pushing the candidacy of Ariel Sharon.

They were commenting on reports of pressure from within the Likud to replace Finance Minister Yoram Aridor with the popular Weizman.

Speaking to *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday, the sources said they were confident that in the coming three months Shanir will not make any changes in his cabinet.

Weizman met Defence Minister Moshe Arens yesterday. The meeting had been set some time ago and centred on political and security affairs, but the two also discussed the possibility of his return to the cabinet, Arens' media adviser Nahman Shai told *The Post* last night.

The matter came up also at a meeting attended by Shamir, Deputy-Agriculture Minister Michael Dekel and Likud Knesset faction chairman Ronni Milo yesterday. But Dekel told *The Post* it was not a topic for discussion and was raised only because the press had focused on it.

"The prime minister is not involved in all this. He is not encouraging it," Dekel insisted last night.

The possibility that Weizman would be coopted into the cabinet has already aroused criticism from Tehiya's Yuval Ne'eman, and Geula Cohen who said that Weizman's political views were closer to the Alignment's than to the present government's.

Weizman's appointment was therefore "out of the question," Ne'eman said. He added that under the coalition agreement, any change in the distribution of portfolios requires the consent of all coalition partners.

Asher Wallfish adds: The search in the Likud for an authoritarian finance minister to (Continued on Page 2, Col. 5)

Barak: SS-21s can hit deep inside Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Aluf Ehud Barak, chief of Israel Military Intelligence, warned yesterday that Soviet-made SS-21 surface-to-surface missiles reportedly now being delivered to the Syrians could hit targets deep inside the country, Israel Radio says.

Barak said in a speech to students at a Jaffa high school that the SS-21s were "modern, sophisticated, with double the range of the Frog." Syria's most powerful missile, "and above all, much more accurate."

He said the missiles represented a much larger Syrian weapons buildup "which involves getting stronger in every area imaginable."

He said the SS-21s "improve Syria's ability, both in quantity and quality, to hit targets inside the area of the State of Israel." The Syrians have missiles with an even longer range, the radio quoted him as saying.

On Lebanon, Barak said Israel has told the Beirut government and the Druse militias that Israel would "continue acting" against Palestine Liberation Organization terrorists that have returned to the areas evacuated by the Israel Defence Forces in its pullback to the Awali last month.

"We will choose exactly when and how these strikes will be carried out," Barak said.

The terrorists reportedly had been fighting alongside the Druse in the Lebanese civil war.

47 killed in Tripoli as Communists, Moslems battle

BEIRUT (AP). — At least 47 people were killed and some 70 wounded yesterday as rival Moslem and Communist militias battled with machine guns and rocket-propelled grenades in the seaside slums of Lebanon's northern port city of Tripoli.

Police said the dead were all combatants and the wounded included seven seriously injured as the fighting continued for the second straight day. The death toll may be higher when officials have completed their search of buildings burned and damaged in the fighting.

Police said militiamen of the fundamentalist Tawheed Islami (Islamic Unity) movement overran several Communist Party offices in Tripoli's Mina and E-Tell residential neighbourhoods. Scores of buildings have been set afire in the fighting, police said.

The police confirmed an earlier state radio report that the dead included 37 Communist and 10 Tawheed militiamen. Ten of the 37 Communists had been "abducted" by the Moslem fundamentalists and "tried and executed by gunfire on the spot," police said.

IDF soldier wounded in attack east of Tyre

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An Israeli soldier was wounded at about 6:30 p.m. yesterday when unknown attackers in a car directed light arms fire at a group of soldiers near Bourj'a-Shamali east of Tyre, an Israel Defence Forces spokesman announced. The soldiers returned the fire but the car managed to escape.

Reagan signs bill for marines' Lebanon stay

WASHINGTON. — President Ronald Reagan last night signed the congressional bill enabling the U.S. Marines to remain in Lebanon for a further 18 months.

In welcoming the congressional decision, Reagan reiterated that he did not accept the right of Congress to approve or veto the stationing of the American forces in Beirut.

Wages, prices and capital must share burden—Moda'i

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prices, wages and capital — including foreign currency accounts — should all bear an equal part of the national burden, Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i said on Israel Television's *Moked* last night.

Moda'i suggested that this principle could form the basis of a package-deal with the Histadrut. The energy minister told his interviewers that there was no logic in telling wage-earners that they would not receive full compensation for the cost-of-living increase on the same day that holders of foreign currency accounts increased their wealth by 23 per cent.

Moda'i hinted that the economic measures so far announced were only part of the new economic programme and that there would be further fiscal measures including taxes. He expressed the hope that there would not be further devaluation in the near future, but he emphasized that he was not sure that this could be avoided.

The Liberal Party minister said he would weigh up an offer to be made finance minister but that he would demand certain conditions. He had opposed the policies of Finance Minister Yoram Aridor in the past. The problem now was to get out of the present problem and to achieve economic growth, he said.

Aridor postpones U.S. trip again

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Finance Minister Yoram Aridor yesterday delayed his departure to the U.S. where he was to hold talks with Secretary of State George Shultz. He was due to leave tomorrow.

Instead, Aridor yesterday sent his director-general, Ezra Sadan.

The minister yesterday asked the head of the Treasury's budget department Ya'acov Gadish to remain in his post for a limited period of time. Gadish is planning to resign because of the compromises made by Aridor with his fellow ministers on the rate of increase of subsidized products and the rate of devaluation.

Begun goes on trial, could get 7 years

MOSCOW (AP). — The trial of Yosef Begun, the Jewish dissident who wants to emigrate to Israel, opened yesterday in the central Russian city of Vladimir, Tass reported.

It said he was charged with violating Article 70 of the Soviet Criminal Code against disseminating anti-Soviet propaganda.

If convicted, which is likely, he faces a maximum prison term of seven years followed by five years banishment.

Begun, 51, first applied to emigrate to Israel in 1971 but was refused permission on the ground that he worked as an electronics engineer and did radio-electronics research that made him privy to state secrets.

He is married to Alla Dragova, who joined him in exile in the late



Yosef Begun

1970s. She and their son emigrated to Israel in 1981.

Judy Siegel adds: An international committee, headed by former cabinet minister Gideon Hausner, yesterday declared that the arrest and trial of Begun was against the Soviet constitution. The newly-formed committee, comprising world-famous jurists, is specializing in Soviet violations of Soviet law.

Among those invited to serve on the committee are Telford Taylor, Rita Hauser, and Alan Dershowitz of the U.S., and Ivan Lawrence, Peter Archer, and Lord Janner of Britain.

Begun himself suggested the formation of an international committee, after dismissing his court-appointed lawyer who had urged him to "confess to his crimes."

Ata may fold unless gov't gives \$10m.

By DAVID RUDGE
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Ata textile concern, which employs 3,000 people in Haifa and the north, may have to close unless the government gives it a \$10 million grant, Ata's general manager David Arbell told Haifa Labour Council yesterday. He said the company's shareholders were willing to invest an additional \$4m. provided the government money was forthcoming.

Arbell was speaking at an extraordinary meeting of the Labour Council called after reports that the company — Israel's largest textile firm — was in serious financial difficulties and was planning to dismiss hundreds of workers.

The crisis has come to a head following the large devaluation which has increased Ata's large dollar loan debt by 30 per cent, while workers have not yet received their last month's salary.

Arbell told the meeting that exports, which accounted for 25 per cent of the company's production, had been made more difficult in the last two years because of the drop in European exchange rates and tough competition from countries whose governments — unlike Israel — subsidize textiles.

As a result, Ata had stopped exporting yarns and cloth and now concentrated mainly on the export of finished clothing products — and even these did not cover increased production costs, he said.

Sales on the local market, which accounted for the rest of the company's production, had also been badly hit due to the lowering of custom duties on textile imports from Common Market countries and South East Asia.

In addition the government, without offering any explanation, had failed to impose compulsory levies on imported yarns and cloth, making it difficult for Ata and other local textile firms to compete with the prices of the cheap imports. It was especially hard for Ata since the manufacture of yarns and cloth constituted more than half the company's turnover, said Arbell.

The Labour Council blamed the government's economic policies for the critical situation in which Ata now found itself, and not the company's inefficiency, the poor quality of its products or even a lack of markets. The government must therefore be prepared to help the firm overcome its financial difficulties, it said.

The council, which had agreed to the dismissal of 400 Ata workers four years ago for the sake of improved efficiency and which was prepared to support new streamlining plans, warned that it would not stand by and see one of Haifa's veteran factories close its gates.

It has already called on Industry and Trade Minister Gideon Pat and Finance Minister Yoram Aridor to intervene and is now seeking the full backing of the Histadrut for any future campaigns.

The Trade and Industry ministry spokesman said last night that the ministry was in contact with Ata's management concerning the company's present difficulties, but he declined to make any further comment.

15% dollar loss in bank shares is approved

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

Bank shares will suffer a 15 per cent drop in value, according to the agreement between the banks and the Treasury that was approved yesterday by the Knesset Finance Committee.

The committee approved the agreement after 10 hours of tense and tiring debate. The debate was marked by sharp recriminations between bankers, MKs, and Treasury and Bank of Israel officials over who was responsible for the banking crisis.

According to the agreement, investors in bank shares will receive, after five years, the shekel equivalent of \$104 for every \$100 in bank shares they hold today, calculated at last Thursday's rate of exchange.

Given the after-tax rate of annual interest paid to holders of three month foreign currency deposits (4.25 per cent) an investment of \$85 today would yield \$104 at the end of 5 years. In other words, the value of the shares held by the public has suffered a 15 per cent loss, in dollar terms, since the value of \$100 worth of shares is in fact equivalent to \$85.

Financial observers in Jerusalem said last night that the price of the shares may drop by more than 15 per cent during the first day of trading at the Tel Aviv stock exchange.

According to these experts, holders of bank shares will start selling their shares without economic considerations, and this will bring the price down markedly below their real economic value.

The observers added that they expect financial institutions to start large-scale buying of the shares only if they drop some 30 per cent.

The agreement submitted to the committee was a revised version of (Continued on Page 2, Col. 1)

Meshel: 'ready to help rescue the economy'

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Histadrut Secretary-General Yehoram Meshel said yesterday that organized labour was ready to join in efforts to save the economy. But senior aides said later that the readiness expressed by Meshel did not include an agreement to cut the cost-of-living allowance, which compensates workers for price rises.

It was not clear what kind of concessions Meshel had in mind. He told a reporter yesterday that in case of a comprehensive, agreed programme, also aimed at the rich, the worker will contribute his share.

Asked what that meant, Gideon Ben-Yisrael, head of the Histadrut's organization department, merely said that the measures would be discussed. He recalled that the present wage agreements expire next March and then "discussions on all sorts of things are possible."

Meanwhile, the Histadrut executive is scheduled to meet this morning to give its formal stamp of approval for a two-hour protest-strike planned for Sunday.

The work stoppage would encompass all salaried workers. Histadrut spokesman Shmuel Soler said. He thus indicated that the Labour federation had turned down the request of the Manufacturers Association to spare privately-owned businesses.

Trade Union organizers were busy yesterday preparing for Sunday's protests. At the Ashdod Labour Council, secretary Yehuda Ben-Haroush told *The Post*, the strike will affect the port and local industries and workers will be asked to attend a "mass demonstration" in town.

The Histadrut Teachers Union will meet today to decide when to hold a work stoppage at the schools.

Terrorist blaze threatens Nicaragua's biggest port

MANAGUA (Reuters). — Nicaraguan authorities ordered total evacuation of the country's biggest port, Corinto, yesterday where a huge fire raged out of control following an attack by right-wing insurgents on Monday.

As firefighters from Mexico, Colombia and Cuba arrived to help battle the blaze, an emergency committee set up by the government started evacuating the 40,000 inhabitants of Corinto, an island port connected to the mainland by a bridge.

Five huge fuel tanks containing more than 12 million litres exploded and fires raged out of control through the docks.

At least 10 people were injured, according to the Red Cross and other officials.

A government official said there was no estimate yet for the damages, but they are "great and irreparable."

In Honduras, the Democratic Nicaraguan Force, a CIA-backed rebel group, said on Tuesday its forces shelled and machine-gunned the port to "paralyze the war apparatus of the leftist regime."

While the port was ablaze, former U.S. secretary of state Henry Kissinger met Nicaraguan rebel leader Alfonso Robelo in Costa Rica in his role as head of a presidential commission seeking new U.S. initiatives in Central America.

Before leaving for El Salvador, Kissinger told reporters he was not aware of the attack when he talked with Robelo and there was no mention of any guerrilla activity.

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THE WEATHER

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Tiberias	34	10-32	32
Nazareth	11	16-28	28
Afula	39	13-28	29
Shomron	45	15-28	28
Tel Aviv	62	17-26	26
B-G Airport	60	15-27	25
Jericho	33	14-33	33
Gaza	69	19-26	26
Beersheba	44	14-28	29
Eilat	26	21-33	33

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

A memorial gathering was held yesterday in Brussels for the late Leon Maersdorf, leader of the Jewish Community, and President of Keren Hayesod there. Dr. Avraham Avihai, World Chairman of the UIA-Keren Hayesod, took part in the event.

Two ceremonies and a festive luncheon on Monday marked further contributions to the Weizmann Institute of Science by its Canadian supporters. Dedicated at the first ceremony was the Hart-Wintrob-Niagara Region Laboratory, in the presence of Mrs. Bea Wintrob, Hart Wintrob's widow, and Mr. Irving Wintrob, his brother. The laboratory, established by the Niagara chapter of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute, and by the Wintrob family and its friends, will be used by cancer researchers in the Cell Biology Department. Afterwards the Youth Activities Science Laboratory, established by the Kitchener-Waterloo Chapter, was dedicated in the presence of Martin and Charlotte Levene, prominent members of the chapter. The events of the day continued with a luncheon given by the President of the Institute, Prof. Michael Sela, in honour of the donors and attended by, among others, the Canadian Ambassador to Israel and Mrs. Vernon George Turner, the Chairman of the Board of the Canadian Society and Mrs. Murray Kofler, and the President of the Society and Mrs. James F. Kay.

Delegates from all Jabotinsky Order branches throughout the country participated in the recently concluded 14th nationwide Jabotinsky Order convention in Tel Aviv. Advocate Baruch Minkovitz was elected head of the Order for the coming two years, replacing Dr. Ben-Josef Gorbey.

ARRIVALS

From the U.S. to attend a conference on the Social Gap between Sephardim and Ashkenazim, being held at the Van Leer Foundation Jerusalem Institute, October 16-17, the President of the International Sephardic Educational Foundation (I.S.E.F.), Mrs. Nina A. Weiner.

LUCKY NUMBER. — No one guessed the six correct numbers of yesterday's "Lotto" draw and therefore the next prize will be IS15,000,000.

HOME AND WORLD NEWS

Levy meets Major Haddad

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. — Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Moshe Levy yesterday met with Major Sa'ad Haddad and militia sources said the major told him he would soon be returning to the active command of his militia.

The sources said that the two men discussed events in South Lebanon and that, during the course of their talk, Haddad, who is resting at home following a brief spell at Haifa's Rambam hospital, told Levy he would soon be back in action.

Haddad is reportedly receiving full reports of events in the region and is still in overall command; but he has handed the running of day-to-day matters to another senior militia officer.

Another militia base was opened this week, near Jeb Jezzine on the eastern front. This is the 14th base opened by the militias since the Lebanon war. The 14 are in addition to smaller outposts, roadblocks and strong-points.

In a related development, Edmond Rizzak, a Lebanese member of parliament close to President Amin Jemayel, has begun organizing public meetings among the citizens of South Lebanon. The first meeting was in Jezzine and was said to deal with the situation in the event that Beirut repudiates the Israel-Lebanon agreement.

Two bazooka shells were yesterday dismantled south of Ju'ayya by French UNIFIL troops in the area. No damage was caused and no one was hurt.

We'll build all over West Bank-Sharon

By YITZHAK OKED

RISHON LEZION. — Minister without Portfolio Ariel Sharon yesterday called on local contractors to help build Judea and Samaria, promising that the government was going to build "everywhere" in those areas. "There will not be one city or town populated by Arabs that will not have Jews in it," he said.

Sharon was speaking at a meeting with Rishon Lezion contractors as part of the Likud municipal election campaign. Earlier in the evening he spoke at the mall in Rishon to an audience of several hundred. He called on the public who own bank securities not to panic and to think everything out with patience and they would not lose any money, he said.

He said he was not a candidate for the finance portfolio but "if I were I would tell the people that the party is over and we have to start working."

French-PLO mutual help pact alleged

PARIS (JTA). — France and the PLO last year concluded an agreement providing for their cooperation in preventing terrorist attacks on French territory, according to the usually well-informed French weekly *Le Canard Enchaîné*.

The weekly says the agreement was concluded last October by PLO chief Yasser Arafat and the head of French intelligence, Pierre Marion. The two met at Arafat's headquarters near Tunis.

The agreement was concluded at a time when the PLO was in deep trouble and had already evacuated Beirut. The Palestinians promised to help the French prevent attacks on their territory by terrorists of the Abu Nidal group, the Armenian Secret Army and other extremist groups.

The paper implies the PLO were grateful for France's help during the Beirut siege. France helped at the time to obtain an evacuation agreement and French warships even escorted the Greek vessel on which Arafat left Beirut for Athens on August 30th. The agreement was approved, says *Le Canard Enchaîné* by President François Mitterrand, and most French ministers were not informed of its existence.

MOSHAV. — A new moshav called Annon will be established today near Almagor in Galilee.

15% LOSS

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the draft submitted to the cabinet on Monday, which granted holders of bank shares full linkage to Monday's devalued price of the shekel and a 3 per cent annual rate of interest.

The early draft provoked a turmoil at the Treasury and the Bank of Israel, since it meant granting some IS123 billion devaluation windfall gains to investors in bank shares.

After the intervention of top ministry officials, the Treasury declared that the draft was based on an "error in calculations made by a very tired official" and added that it would correct the mistake.

The corrected version was presented to the committee in the afternoon hours, after the debate had been continuing for more than six hours.

The former chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Bank of Israel, Prof. Haim Barkai, came to the committee and spoke to its members of the need to reduce the windfall gains which the first draft of the agreement had granted.

cent drop in the value of shares, the Alignment MKs started to prepare an alternative proposal which reduced the expected loss to 10 per cent.

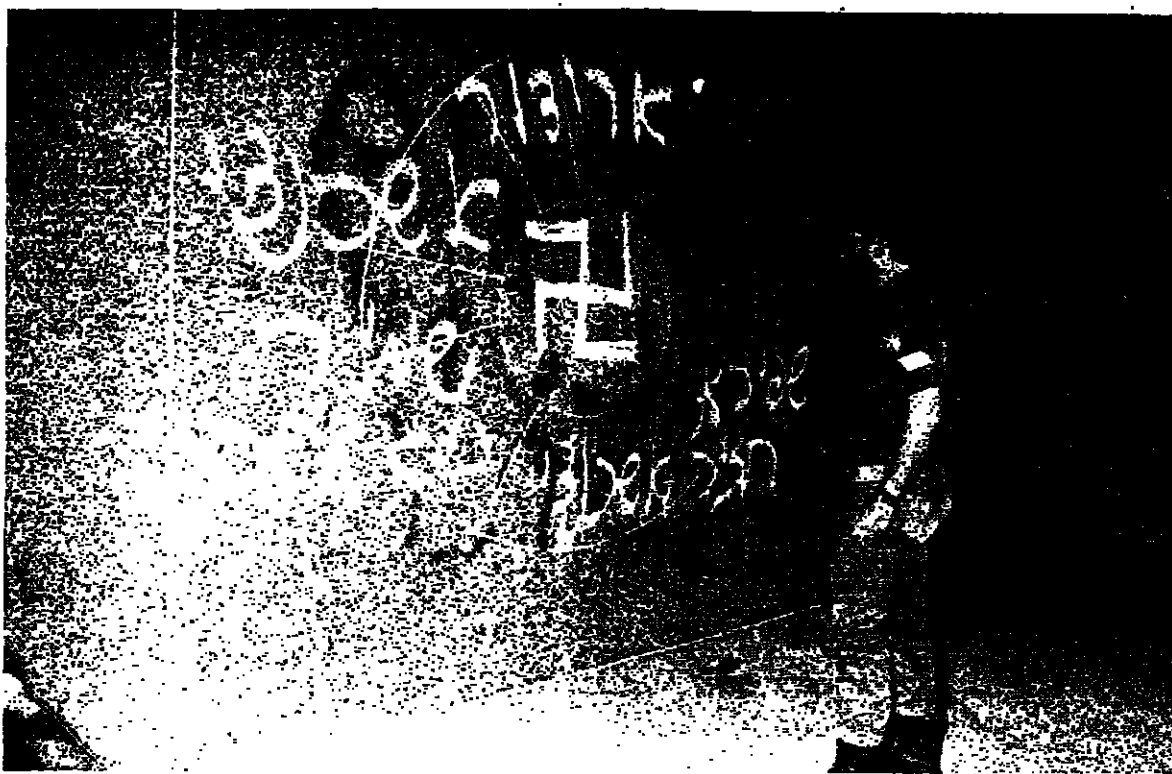
But not all of the Alignment members agreed with this position. One of them told his colleagues that they wanted to protect large share holders even more than the Likud members.

The earlier hours of the debate were marked by angry accusations about the responsibility for the crisis.

The Governor of the Bank of Israel, Moshe Mandelbaum, openly accused Finance Minister Yoram Aridor of having forced upon the central bank a policy of supporting the commercial banks' practice of artificially pushing up the price of their shares.

Some committee members had harsh words for the bankers. They told the heads of the commercial banks, who were present during the debate, that they share much of the responsibility for what happened.

MACEACHEN. — Canadian External Affairs Minister Allan MacEachen will visit Syria, Egypt, Jordan and Israel later this month.



A soldier yesterday looks at graffiti that read, in part, "Aridor Ashke-Nazi," on the wall of the pedestrian tunnel leading to Jerusalem's central bus station. (Scoop 80)

Jerusalem police hunt for swastika graffiti painter

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem police are searching for the person or persons who painted swastikas on the old armoured cars at Sha'ar Hagai, on an automatic teller at a bank at the Jerusalem central bus station and in the pedestrian tunnel to the station under Jaffa Road.

The swastikas in the tunnel were

accompanied by the names Aridor, Shamir and Shapira — references to the finance minister, the prime minister and the Agudat Yisrael MK. They were discovered early yesterday morning, and those in both Sha'ar Hagai and at the bank were quickly removed.

The police believe that the same person is responsible for the graffiti at all three places.

A police source also noted that the use of swastikas as political graffiti by "certain elements" in the slum quarters had become more common in recent years.

Most recently, supporters of jailed slum quarter activist Azar Cohen this month spray-painted swastikas, along with such slogans as "Jewish State-Police State" in the Liberty Bell Park in Jerusalem.

Jemayel sets date for reconciliation meeting

BEIRUT. — President Amin Jemayel yesterday set October 20 as the date for Lebanon's "national reconciliation conference" even though the site for the meeting — the major obstacle to holding it — still has not been chosen.

Jemayel also declared that a preliminary committee should begin working today to set an agenda for the meeting that is meant to put an end to the religious and political factionalism that have divided Lebanon for eight years.

The government formally asked nine Lebanese political leaders to send representatives to the preparatory meeting at the Ministry of Health in central Beirut today.

But Druse opposition leader Walid Jumblatt, a key figure in the talks, rejected the ministry as a venue, sources in his party said.

Another main participant, the Shi'ite Muslim militia Amal, said it might boycott the preparatory session because, it said, the Lebanese Army had issued arrest warrants for a number of officers.

In another gloomy sign yesterday, a security committee set up to preserve the cease-fire failed to meet for the first working day in two weeks.

Amal sources said their delegate had boycotted the meeting in protest at the alleged arrest warrants.

The relatively successful security committee has been meeting at a bank building in no-man's-land on the southern outskirts of Beirut and Jumblatt's Progressive Socialist Party (PSP) said it wanted the preliminary meeting there too.

The Health Ministry, unlike the bank, is inside the greater Beirut area controlled by the Lebanese Army, the PSP's enemy in last month's mountain war.

The spokesman for the Italian contingent to the four-nation peace force in Beirut said the government had asked the Italians to provide security around the ministry today.

Security is a major consideration in finding meeting places — acceptable to all the parties, many of which have long-standing feuds with each other.

Jumblatt has refused to go to the presidential palace at Baabda outside Beirut for the reconciliation conference, apparently because he is not satisfied it would be safe enough.

There was another break in the cease-fire, meanwhile, with six Lebanese soldiers reported wounded, two seriously, in an assault on Suk al-Gharb, south-east of Beirut.

A Lebanese Army spokesman said the army returned fire after its positions were attacked with mortars, small arms and rocket-propelled grenades from surrounding Druse-controlled positions.

The town, which stands on a strategic ridge overlooking the capital, was the focus of the heaviest battles in last month's fighting.

The cease-fire has been violated there regularly since September 26 and the army spokesman said the fighting yesterday was not especially serious. (AP, Reuter)

WEIZMAN

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replace Yoram Aridor has led a few Likud MKs, including a couple of ministers, to toy with the thought of proposing Minister without Portfolio Ariel Sharon for the job.

The advocates of Sharon-for-the-Treasury know that Sharon has little economic know-how and would have to depend on advisers and officials. Sharon's job would be to convince, cajole and constrain his colleagues as well as the public into accepting an economic austerity programme.

One of Aridor's biggest problems in the cabinet has been that his colleagues don't take enough notice of him and don't accept his authority.

A proposal to make Sharon Finance Minister would provoke opposition it is assumed from Deputy-Premier David Levy, who would regard the move as Sharon's bid for rehabilitation in a sphere remote from security and foreign policy en route for an eventual bid for the premiership some years from now. Energy Minister Yitzhak Mordechai would also object, it is assumed.

Sharon might well jump at the idea because all his other options are blocked. Levy is waiting to take over after Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir steps down — probably not for some years — provided Defence Minister Moshe Arens does not want to run for premier.

Likud for election day as a holiday after all

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Likud has withdrawn its support for a Knesset bill to cancel the municipal elections work holiday on October 25, Alignment Knesset faction chairman Moshe Shahal told reporters yesterday.

Shahal said he was informed on Tuesday that the Likud had changed its mind and was instead proposing a compromise half-day holiday for the elections. He rejected the suggestion "out of hand."

"The Alignment is opposed to any holiday because it will cost the country IS3 billion in lost production. We will go ahead and submit our own bill to cancel the holiday with or without the Likud's support," he said.

Deputy Finance Minister Haim Kaufman, who heads the Likud's municipal election campaign, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the Alignment would gain if election day were a regular working day — and

the Likud would have to spend more money.

He said that Likud activists throughout the country had warned the party leaders that kibbutzim and the Histadrut-owned companies would send their men to work for the Alignment on that day. They would also have cars and other Histadrut and kibbutz means at their disposal.

The Likud does not have such backing. Activists would have to be compensated for the loss of a day's work.

The decision to make municipal election day a work holiday was taken by the Knesset on July 27, as an article in the Political Parties Financing Law adopted the same day.

The Alignment was opposed to a work holiday even then, but succumbed to the Likud's threat that if it did not vote for the work holiday the Likud would block party financing.

Shamir may visit U.S. in Nov.

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — President Chaim Herzog's scheduled November journey to the U.S. may be scratched in favour of a visit by Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, U.S. officials said yesterday.

If that turns out to be the case, the officials noted, Shamir would meet with President Ronald Reagan at the White House on November 21 — the day Herzog had been scheduled to see Reagan.

In addition, the officials said, Shamir would address some 3,000 national and local American Jewish leaders on November 17 in Atlanta, where they will gather for the Annual General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations. Herzog is the scheduled Israeli speaker for the time being.

Israeli officials here in Washington said they were still going ahead with the arrangements for a Herzog visit and had not yet received any official change of plans.

But the U.S. officials said they had received private indications — which they did not want to spell out — that Shamir was anxious to come to Washington for a high-level exchange with the Americans on a whole host of issues, including the situation in Lebanon.

Kotlowitz: Aliya up 40% in first 8 months of year

By LIORA MORIEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Raphael Kotlowitz, chairman of the Jewish Agency's immigrant and absorption department, said here yesterday that aliya figures were up for the first eight months of this year, with 40 per cent more olim than last year.

"We have put special emphasis on South America," Kotlowitz told *The Jerusalem Post*, "and I had great hopes which were not realized. However, 2,048 olim have arrived from there this year, an increase of 50 per cent over last year."

"We have sent special emissaries to South America and have set up projects designed to attract people with specific professions, he said.

"The police have sent an emissary of their own to recruit 200 people."

Kotlowitz said what has been done for Ethiopian Jews so far in Israel has been successful. "We should be proud of the way we have helped to absorb them," he said.

For the first time, the council presidium met outside of Jerusalem or Tel Aviv. They chose Beersheba because here they could meet new immigrants of many different backgrounds.

After their regular session, the visitors were scheduled to meet olim at two absorption centres here. However, because of this week's double killing in the absorption centre housing Ethiopian Jews, they were asked by the Ethiopian community not to come — not even to express condolences.

Lea Rabin's licence suspended for speeding

TEL AVIV (JTA). — The driver's licence of Lea Rabin, wife of former prime minister Yitzhak Rabin, was suspended yesterday for two months. She was also fined IS4,000. Rabin was brought before Tel Aviv Traffic Court for driving

70kms an hour in the grounds of Ben-Gurion Airport instead of the permitted 50 kph.

(On Sunday, Mrs. Rabin was fined IS3,000 for ignoring a red light at a Tel Aviv street junction.)

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Film on Jesus may cost hotel its kashrut rating

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Kallitz may cancel the *kashrut* certificate of the Shalom Hotel — the largest hotel in the city — because a Christian missionary event was held there with a number of Jewish Israelis present on Tuesday night.

Rabbi Kallitz told *The Jerusalem Post* that he is investigating the incident, in which the American-based World Evangelist Church-School of Ministry showed a film about Jesus' "Second Coming" in a hall in the Shalom Hotel.

Kallitz had earlier prevented the screening in the nearby Ulamei Nof Hotel, which is owned by the same company as Ulamei Nof, Tadir-Matzad council member Viva Sivan, who identified herself as an Israeli, says she was welcomed by an evangelist representative at the door, who put his arm around her shoulder and took her up to the hall.

She says she intended telling the group of Christians that they were warmly welcome if they limited their activities to fellow Christians, but completely unwelcome if they

turned their attention to winning Jewish converts.

According to Sivan, 25 to 30 Jews, some of whom responded to mailed invitations and others to newspaper ads, were in the hall and applauded by the Christians.

Sivan said that the master of ceremonies urged the audience to "pray for the souls of the Jews," including those "misguided" ones who were demonstrating outside, and for the "return of the Jews to Jesus."

Before Sivan could say anything, the lights went out for the showing of the film. Three policemen entered, calling her name and ordering her to leave the hall. She left reluctantly, and was told to accompany them to the police station.

But the president of the church, a former Jew named Maurice Serillo,

argued with police and insisted that she was not disturbing the assembly. Police, said Sivan, tried to persuade Serillo that she was a "troublemaker," but the Christian leader demanded that she be allowed to return. After the police left, a security guard at the hotel, said Sivan, refused her admittance to the hall, and she left.

Shalom Hotel manager Yehuda Greenbaum, who is an Orthodox Jew, told *The Post* that if he had known that the evangelists intended to proselytize, he would not have allowed them to use his hall. He admitted hearing from Rabbi Kallitz that the group were "missionaries," and that Ulamei Nof had cancelled the screening of the film. Greenbaum said that "we have hundreds of Christian groups coming to the hotel, and we don't check their credentials. They are welcome if they do not violate the law."

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By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

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Policewoman poses as prostitute, traps pimp

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A police detective in the guise of a prostitute succeeded in trapping a pimp who was forcing a 19-year-old to streetwalk for him. The detective, first Sergeant (Samelet Rishona) Yona Wakerman, revealed the details of her undercover operation in an interview with *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

The saga began when the girl, wanting to reform, complained to the police that a pimp was beating her up, taking all her money, and forcing her to continue working as a prostitute.

Dressed in tight jeans and top, Wakerman accompanied the prostitute to her work site where the pimp — reportedly armed with a pistol and knife — was expected to

arrive. She gave the girl some marked bank notes and hid behind an old bus. Three male detectives hid nearby.

When a potential client propositioned her, thus drawing the attention of the pimp, Wakerman identified herself as a policewoman. She persuaded him to hug her and pretended to be her pimp. The man left after "promising" to pick up Wakerman later.

The young prostitute, who joined them after finishing with a client, was confused to see the policewoman out of hiding, but caught onto the game and introduced her to the pimp. She then left them with another client.

For more than two hours, Wakerman sat with the pimp, rejecting odd clients who came to her with various excuses, and

questioned him, in the guise of a prostitute, about his treatment of the younger streetwalker, who was away with clients most of the time.

The pimp told Wakerman that he beats up his prostitute to keep her afraid of him, and that she was a gold mine, earning IS10,000 a night. At the end of her night's work, the pimp snatched from the girl the cigarette box in which she had the marked bills.

When Wakerman identified herself the pimp smiled and said: "You're a tart, you're no policewoman." But then the three detectives hiding nearby came out and arrested him.

"I was not afraid because I have been in worse situations before," said Wakerman, who in the past four years has posed as a prostitute several times.

3 trapped burglars make get-away from fifth floor

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Three burglars, trapped by the police in a fifth-floor apartment in Sderot Rothschild, managed to escape early yesterday morning. One shot his way through the police guarding the entrance to the flat, the two others climbed out of the window.

At about 6:30 a.m. David Philosoph and his wife, heard a knock on their front door of their apartment. When they opened the door, three masked men barged in with a drawn pistol and knife, ordering them to open their safe which was in the bedroom. They emptied the small amount of cash and several pieces of jewelry from the safe into a bag.

Meanwhile, the live-in maid in the adjoining room heard what was going on and called a relative who called the police. Within a few minutes a police car on patrol nearby arrived on the spot.

Two of the burglars jumped out of the window and escaped. Apparently, they fell onto the trees and bushes below, and were uninjured. The third, who was armed with a pistol, ran down the stairs and shot at the policemen who tried to block his way. They shot back at him, but he managed to escape.

The bag with the money and jewels was flung away by the robbers in their flight and found in the yard.

Tel Aviv Police Commander Nitzav Avraham Turgeman and senior officers arrived and searched the area for traces of the burglars, who had not been found by yesterday evening.

Shamir brings political aide to new office

Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Yosef Ben-Aharon, who served as Yitzhak Shamir's political aide at the Foreign Ministry, has moved with Shamir to the Prime Minister's Office. His tasks there will mainly concern foreign policy.

Ben-Aharon's appointment is the first change that Shamir has instituted in the premier's bureau. Ex-Premier Menachem Begin did not have a foreign policy adviser.

Shamir has told Begin's staff that he would like them all to stay on — and they have all agreed to do so, at

least for the initial period. Political observers expect, however, that Begin's longtime aide Yehiel Kadishai will eventually leave, and perhaps continue working for Begin in a private capacity.

Spokesman Uri Porat is also likely to leave the bureau and return to journalism (he is on leave from *Yedioth Aharonot*) at the year's end — if not before.

Director-General Mattityahu Shmuelovitz is a comrade-subordinate of Shamir from their underground days in *Lehi* and is expected to stay on.

U.S. senators urge Egypt to return envoy to TA

WASHINGTON (AP). — Fifty-two U.S. senators sent a letter to Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak on Tuesday urging him to "send your ambassador, back to Israel."

The letter, revealed in a news release from Senator Howard Metzenbaum (democrat-Ohio), expresses "deep concern about the current status of relations" between Egypt and Israel.

Defence industries show their wares

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel's defence industries are currently exhibiting their products in the U.S. and Holland, the Defence Ministry spokesman announced yesterday. Israel Aircraft Industries are displaying warning systems and security fences at an exhibition in Utrecht.

The Military Industries, and the Armament Development Authority are showing night-vision instruments, gun simulators, tank artillery sights, the mini-Uzi machine gun, the Galil rifle, a 60 mm. gun, a rifle anti-tank grenade launcher and other products at an exhibition in Washington.

U.S. missile destroyer here for four-day visit

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The U.S. Sixth Fleet guided-missile destroyer USS Mahan is due here for a four-day visit this morning. Its crew of over 350 will be the guests of the Israel Navy during their stay.

The aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower, which was also due to arrive for a visit, will not be coming for the time being. It is engaged in backing up the U.S. Marines in Beirut.

'Syria may free some Jewish girls'

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK. — Syria will allow a group of Jewish girls to leave the country in the near future and to immigrate to the U.S. so that they will be able to get married, according to *Israel Shelanu*, a Hebrew-language weekly published in New York.

Syrian President Hafez Assad told the U.S. ambassador in Damascus that Syria is willing to allow the young girls to leave the country for "humanitarian" reasons, said the weekly.

High Court applications on bank shares withdrawn

Two petitioners, who applied to the High Court of Justice over the bank share crisis, withdrew their applications after the panel of three justices hinted that they might be charged costs.

Jerusalem economist Adi Niv and Tel Aviv pensioner Moshe Scarabnik withdrew their applications following a brief discussion in which it was pointed out that the court does not normally intervene in matters of government policy.

In their applications, Niv and Scarabnik noted that they had invested their savings in bank shares. Niv asked the court to order the Treasury and the Bank of Israel to

maintain the real value of his shares. Scarabnik wanted the court to order the finance minister to live up to his undertaking that there would be no change in economic policy.

Justice Miriam Ben-Porat said that it was impossible to require the government to continue with a mistaken policy and possibly harm the state, simply to safeguard interests of a private citizen. She noted that political promises were often not kept and that government officials sometimes even misled the public deliberately in order to keep an element of surprise about certain steps.

The applicant petitioner's attorneys then withdrew their applications (Itim)

Rumanian chief rabbi to hold meetings here

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Rumanian Chief Rabbi Moshe Rosen arrived yesterday for a visit. He will hold meetings with cabinet ministers and members of the Jewish Agency executive about problems affecting Jewish life and culture in Rumania.

Rosen will also be involved in organizing a chair set up in his name at Bar Ilan University

Tirat Carmel high schools struck over salary delay

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The teachers of the two comprehensive high schools, Schiffman and Ariel in Tirat Carmel yesterday went on strike and sent home their 1,500 pupils, in coordination with the local parents' committees. The strike is backed by the two teachers' unions.

Representatives told a press conference yesterday that they had struck to protest against the local council's failure to pay them their September salary which was due on October 5, and its failure to pass on the contributions to their pension

and advanced study funds and to the Kupat Holim sick fund, since last April, though these had been deducted from their salaries.

They said that the Education Ministry had informed them that all the funds had been transferred to Tirat Carmel on time, but the local council had used the money to pay other debts.

The teachers had stopped teaching at 10 a.m. on the two previous days. They warned that if the matter is not settled by tomorrow they would take more stringent action, including strikes at all Tirat Carmel schools.

Bezek working to unclog phone system

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Bezek plans to invest in increasing the efficiency of the country's phone network, but there is no assurance that the company's measures will successfully unclog the overburdened system, Zvi Amid, president of the new public communications company said. He was speaking at a two-day seminar of professionals in the communications field which ended here yesterday.

Amid told *The Jerusalem Post* that the planning for the present telephone system was based on average phone use around the world. But, he said, Israelis use their phones more than the world average. That explains in part why the telephone use here so often encounters a busy signal.

Moreover, since then two other factors have been introduced into the system, he said. One is the automatic dialer that latches onto a busy number until that line is free. Another is the growing use of home computers and video games. Amid said he believes there are thousands of teenagers in Israel today who conduct "war games" and other electronic activities with their friends via the telephone lines.

These factors, he said, clog up the telephone network. Amid added that he fears that by the time Bezek completes its work on improving the phone system, some new device, not yet conceived of or invented, will again overburden it.

Electrocution suspected in death of worker

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BAT YAM. — An Electric Corporation worker was killed yesterday and another was injured while they were doing odd jobs in one of the buildings owned by the Electric Corporation on Rehov Jabotinsky here.

A third worker told the police that at 12 noon he went outside to listen to the news on the radio. Suddenly he heard a loud bang and, running inside, he found his two colleagues lying on the floor.

An ambulance took the workers to Holon's Wolfson Hospital, where Alter Linan, 31, was pronounced dead. The other worker, Efraim Ulla, aged 25, was hospitalized.

The police said yesterday that they accused the workers received an electric shock.

3 remanded in war-invalid drug case

TAL AVIV (Itim). — Four men were arraigned yesterday in the magistrate's court here accused of taking a war invalid's car in payment for drug debts. Shabat Eli, 35, Adi Levy, 23, and Meri Alkobi, 22, were remanded for seven days each.

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STUDIES. — Haifa University will open its new school year on Sunday, with 6,000 students, including 2,000 freshmen.

Officials, bankers to discuss legal aspects of bank crisis

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Justice Ministry officials, bank heads, and officials of the Bank of Israel and the Attorney General's office are due to meet tomorrow morning to discuss the legal implications of the recent changes in policy regarding bank stock shares.

On the agenda for the meeting, over which Justice Minister Moshe Nissim will preside, are such questions as the legality of banks serving as investment counsellors for the stock market offering advice to "purchase their own shares" and the

link between bank services and their terms of advice for stock investment to clients.

Other topics that may yet be put on the agenda include the enforcement of the Treasury regulation limiting cash purchases of foreign currency to \$500.

The police have made no effort to enforce the law, believing it to be a matter of policy, rather than a matter for daily enforcement. An officer observed yesterday, that there was no way "to post a policeman in every foreign currency department of every bank branch in the country."

Committee delays child-allowance raise

Post Knesset Correspondent

A proposal by the Labour and Social Affairs Ministry to increase children's allowances for large families by 12½ per cent this month evoked a positive response in the Knesset Labour and Social Affairs Committee yesterday.

However, the proposal did not get a formal vote of approval because the Likud members asked for a postponement for consultations and the opposition members, infuriated, stormed out of the room.

The Treasury, apparently, has not endorsed the ministry's demand for the increase, but Minister Aharon Uzan has already given instructions to the National Insurance Institute

to have the cheques ready by October 20.

Uzan proposes increasing the other welfare allotments distributed by the National Insurance Institute by 10 per cent this month and in subsequent months by 3 per cent.

Committee members agreed that if the Treasury endorsed Uzan's proposals for the increases as a package over the next few days, chairman Menachem Porush would be empowered to give the requisite statutory approval normally vested in the committee.

If, however, the Treasury balked over any element of the package, the committee said, it would convene at the beginning of next week at the latest for a test of strength with the Treasury.

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- a halt in the growth of the economy, and weakening of industry and agriculture
- the victimizing of the weakest sections of the population, who are immediately and devastatingly hit by increases in the prices of basic commodities, and the widening of the gap between them and the better-off strata

The government is now trying to escape its clear responsibility for its complete economic failure, and the sacrifice of the workers at the altar of "correct economics."

The government even wants to cut into the cost-of-living allowance, already only a partial compensation, paid late. This allowance, to which the workers are entitled by law and in accordance with an agreement, is the main counter to reduction of real wages.

Accordingly, the Histadrut Executive will meet today, to approve a decision of the Central Committee to hold a

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of two hours on Sunday, October 16, between 2 and 4 p.m.

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N. Korea suspected of role in Burma bombing

CANBERRA. — Australian Foreign Minister Bill Hayden said yesterday that the actions of a North Korean ship shortly before Sunday's bombing in Burma were "of more than passing interest."

Burmese authorities say they have killed one "Korean terrorist," and captured two others following the blast which killed 20 people, including four members of the South Korean cabinet. They have not said if the "terrorists" were North or South Koreans. Later police captured a third man who had fled into the jungle a day earlier to avoid questioning in the case, the government radio said.

The radio said the Korean taken into custody yesterday killed three Burmese, presumably policemen, and injured himself when he hurled a hand grenade at police who had cornered him.

Addressing parliament, Hayden did not link in detail the ship's movements and the bombing episode, but said that the ship docked in the Colombo harbour in Sri Lanka on September 29 with a general cargo en route to Alexandria. It left when asked to, but then anchored in Sri Lankan waters until Monday, "when suddenly, and without being observed, it departed without going through the usual procedures of notification and clearance."

Following Hayden's remarks, Australian intelligence sources said they believed the ship was involved in the bombing plot, and may have intended to pick up those responsible for it.

American intelligence officials believe North Korean agents were behind Sunday's bombing, probably with help from Burmese insurgents, a Defence Intelligence Agency (DIA) source said on Tuesday.

"North Korean agents have been active in Burma in recent months and are believed to have negotiated agreements with insurgents," a DIA officer told Reuters. He spoke on condition he would not be identified. (AP, Reuters)

Libya releases 37 French citizens

ATHENS. — Thirty-seven French citizens detained in Libya have left France after being supplied with new passports by the French Embassy in Tripoli, the Greek government, which mediated their release, said yesterday.

The French citizens had their passports confiscated by the Libyan authorities without explanation as they prepared to board a plane in Tripoli on Sunday.

Earlier, French government spokesman Max Gallo announced that Libya had agreed to allow the 37 to leave following Greek diplomatic intervention.

Gallo's announcement came several hours after the arrival in Paris of Libyan Foreign Minister Abdelati al-Obeidi on a 48-hour unofficial visit. Obeidi criticized the arrest of a suspected Libyan terrorist by France, but was vague about the fate of the French citizens.

Gallo brushed aside reports that the entire 1,500-member French community in Libya had been taken "hostage" in an effort to secure release of 34-year-old Libyan Mohammed Abdullah. (AP, Reuters)

Britain toughens jail sentences

BLACKPOOL (Reuters). — The British cabinet minister responsible for law and order yesterday announced a package of stiffer jail terms for violent criminals.

Home Secretary Leon Brittan said only he could now authorize the release of a prisoner jailed for life.

He also specified that the minimum jail term for certain crimes of violence will be 20 years. At present a life sentence in Britain usually means 14 years, with actual time served reduced to nine years for good behaviour.

Brittan said in parliament last July that murderers of police officers could normally expect to serve at least 20 years.

Yesterday he told members of the ruling Conservative Party at their annual conference here that this minimum term would also apply to murderers of prison officers, murderers who kill by acts of terrorism, sexual or sadistic murderers of children, and criminals who use firearms while committing robberies.

Boston may get first black mayor

BOSTON (Reuters). — Mel King, a liberal former state representative, last night became the first black to reach the final stage of a mayoral race in the 350-year history of Boston, where politics have been dominated this century by conservative Irish-Americans.

King took more than a third of the total vote, and Ray Flynn, a moderate city councilman and son of an Irish dockworker, received about 25 per cent to defeat six other contenders in a nonpartisan preliminary election.

They will face each other in the November 15 election to succeed four-term incumbent mayor Kevin White, who announced last May that he was stepping down after 16 years in office.

"Welcome to the rainbow coalition," King said, referring to the coalition of blacks, hispanics, homosexuals, and liberal whites he brought together to forge the upset victory.

David Finnegan, a former school board chairman and radio chat show host who until a couple of weeks ago had been the acknowledged frontrunner in the race, finished third.

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Moslem persecution worries bishops

LIMURU, Kenya (AP). — The Anglican Church's principal bishops expressed concern yesterday over what they said were increasing difficulties faced by Christians in Moslem countries, sometimes amounting to persecution.

The statement, issued at the end of a four-day meeting of Anglican and Episcopal primates, led by the Most Rev. Robert Runcie, the Archbishop of Canterbury, also said they were aware that some Moslems "regretted the current emergence of fundamentalist extremism" in Islam.

Specifically cited at a news conference were conditions in Iran and Sudan, which last month began enforcing Islamic law, known as *sharia*. About 5 per cent of the 17 million Sudanese are Christian.

The Most Rev. Timothy Olufosoye, archbishop of Nigeria, said that funds from Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states have helped support the resurgence of Islam in Africa and elsewhere.

"Schemes for Christian education have been affected, making it difficult or impossible," he told reporters here. "It appears that Christianity is being squeezed out."

The Nigerian archbishop maintained that Sudan has forbidden Christian education and that Christian children must pass Islamic courses in order to advance from kindergarten to primary school.

Archbishop Runcie said the Anglican Church was facing continuing problems in Iran, including questions over property rights. He expressed the hope that visits would be arranged so that Iranian Christians and their clergy would not feel isolated.

The gathering at Limuru was attended by 24 archbishops, including primates from as far away as Japan and Australia. It was held at the invitation of the Most Rev. Manasse Kuria, archbishop of Kenya, who said he wanted the clergymen to see in his country "a peaceful multi-racial society."

Britain affirms its intention to deploy cruise missiles

BLACKPOOL, England (Reuters). — Defence Secretary Michael Heseltine yesterday affirmed Britain's resolve to deploy U.S. cruise missiles from the end of this year, but said there still had to be an understanding with the Soviet Union for lasting peace.

Heseltine told the ruling Conservative Party's annual conference the West had spent four years trying to persuade the Soviet Union to remove its SS-20 medium-range missiles aimed at Western Europe.

"We warned them in 1979 that if they did not remove these weapons, we would deploy our own systems in deterrence. They have reached no such agreement," he said.

Meanwhile, Western governments are taking seriously Soviet threats to break off "Euromissile" negotiations but officials doubt the Kremlin has made a final decision.

Senior NATO diplomats in close touch with the 22-month-long Geneva talks believe Moscow will play a guessing game for some weeks, using the threats to sharpen a propaganda offensive against the stationing of U.S. missiles in Europe.

The current negotiating round, now in its sixth week, is Moscow's last chance to forestall the planned deployment in December of the first of 512 U.S. medium-range missiles.

Normally, the round would last about two months, then recess until January, but the Reagan administration has proposed an extension to keep it in session until December 15.

This would mean U.S. and Soviet negotiators would still be talking after the first Pershing-2s and cruises arrive in Britain, West Germany, and Italy.

Four charged in \$16m. New York theft

NEW YORK (AP). — A Prudential-Bache Securities Inc. manager and three other men have been charged in connection with the theft of \$16 million from the company.

John Effer, 38, was originally accused in connection with a missing \$5m. However, another \$11m. was missing, and company officials do not know where it went, Assistant U.S. Attorney William Schwartz said Tuesday.

The other three men, none connected with Prudential-Bache but all charged with conspiracy, are Peter Sapone, 40, Robert Chiachio, 34, and Larry Monteforte, 41. Monteforte, Sapone, and Chiachio agreed to put up \$150,000 in property for bail.

Effer was unable to put up \$250,000 in cash or property for his bail, said his attorney, Jeffrey Rabin.

An FBI complaint said Effer and the three men "prepared and processed at least 60 cheques since January 1983, to be deposited in the accounts of five companies, none of which were doing business with Prudential-Bache."

The five New York accounts were in the names of companies that existed only on paper, according to a source in the investment company, who asked not to be named.

Malaria hits 18,584, kills 522 in Indian area

NEW DELHI (AP). — An outbreak of malaria has killed 522 people over the past two months in Shahjahanpur district, 290 kilometres southeast of the Indian capital, the United News of India reported yesterday.

During the period, 18,584 people contracted the disease in the region, located in Uttar Pradesh, India's most populous state, UNI quoted the state health secretary as saying.

Coroner has doubts on Marilyn Monroe death

NEW YORK (AP). — Sex-symbol Marilyn Monroe was laughing happily a half-hour before she died, had a mysterious bruise on her back, and seemed to be reaching for the telephone when her body was found, a new book says.

Dr. Thomas Noguchi, former chief medical examiner of Los Angeles County, says controversy will surround the screen star's death until her FBI file and notes and interviews from a panel that investigated whether she was capable of suicide are made public.

The FBI kept a file on Monroe because she had been friendly with then-president John Kennedy and Senator Robert Kennedy. But the files given to the district attorney's office had been censored, Noguchi said.

A deputy medical examiner when he performed the autopsy on Monroe, Noguchi discusses the case in his new book, *Coroner*, to be published next month by Simon and Schuster.

Monroe died of a drug overdose August 4, 1962, and her nude body was found the next day on a bed in her Los Angeles home. Noguchi said her death was a "very probable" suicide. An investigation of the death last year did not answer all remaining questions, he said.

"There was no way, for example, it could determine the source of the bruise on Monroe's hip," Noguchi writes. "Nor why she was laughing happily with Joe DiMaggio Jr. (her ex-husband's son) at 7:30 p.m. and dying only 30 minutes later. And what did the overstretched hand on the telephone mean?"

The Los Angeles district attorney last December rejected allegations made by a private detective that Monroe had been murdered, and he concluded that her death was either a suicide or resulted from an accidental overdose of barbiturates.

The county coroner at the time ruled her death a suicide.

However, Noguchi states he found a fresh bruise on Monroe's lower left back just above the hip and says it is not known how she received it.

Inbal Dance Theatre

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Jerusalem	— Today, Oct. 13, 8.30 p.m.
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	Beit Abba Khoushy

'Zombie-like' man runs amok in Manila

MANILA (AP). — A man who ran amok and knifed to death three people in a street rampage before police shot him to death lay unclaimed in a funeral home yesterday with no relative coming forward to identify or mourn him, police said.

Four days after the man ran out half-naked in the streets of suburban Quezon City stabbing anyone he could see, investigators still had no clue as to who he was, where he came from or what his motives were.

The man had terrorized a whole neighbourhood on Saturday when he walked into a shop, grabbed a butcher's knife and an ice pick and stabbed a customer to death. He also knifed to death an occupant of a passing vehicle.

An off-duty policeman resting in a nearby house came out shooting into the air. Witnesses said the man lunged at the officer, who fired at him several times but missed. The man chased the officer, who stumbled and was stabbed to death.

Two responding policemen finally gunned the man down after cornering him in an ice cream compound.

"The policeman who shot him said he was like a zombie," a homicide investigator said. "He was hit several times and badly wounded, but still he kept coming at them. Even the policemen got scared of him."

Arrests made in South African platinum theft

JOHANNESBURG (AP). — Detectives of South Africa's gold and diamond branch have arrested three men in connection with the theft 18 months ago of 13 million rands (\$11.7 million) worth of platinum from a suburban refinery.

The arrests, announced yesterday, are said to have stemmed from the sale of 500,000 rands (\$430,000) worth of the stolen metal in Switzerland.

AROUND THE WORLD

Little violence in biggest anti-Pinochet rally

SANTIAGO (Reuters). — The biggest demonstration staged against the Chilean government since General Augusto Pinochet seized power in a coup 10 years ago ended on Tuesday night with little violence.

At the end of the rally, attended by an estimated 100,000, some of the crowd started marching along a main boulevard towards the city centre, but riot police diverted them into side streets by firing tear gas and water cannon.

Human rights groups said one man was hit in the thigh by a bullet and a woman was hit on the head.

Japanese ex-premier jailed for taking \$2 million

TOKYO (Reuters). — Former Japanese premier Kakuei Tanaka was found guilty of corruption yesterday and sentenced to four years in jail.

The verdict issued by Tokyo district court followed a six-and-a-half-year trial in which Tanaka, 65, was accused of receiving a \$2 million bribe from the U.S. Lockheed Aircraft Corporation.

Lesser jail terms were handed out against four co-defendants.

Italy revokes expulsion of Afghan refugees

ROME (AP). — Italian authorities yesterday revoked the expulsion order for seven Afghan refugees including a man who had threatened to kill himself and his family if ousted from Italy.

The man, Mohammed Sharif, along with his wife and three children, arrived last Wednesday on a flight from Syria. Together with two other Afghans, they have been confined to a transit lounge at Rome's Leonardo Da Vinci Airport because they carried false passports.

The revieve was granted after Raffaele Sosta, a deputy foreign minister, and officials from the Geneva-based UN high commissioner for refugees interceded. The Italian officials said the seven were being sent to a refugee camp to wait for permission from a third country to accept them for permanent settlement.

IPU condemns Soviets for downing airliner

SEOUL. — The Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) yesterday unanimously adopted a resolution deploring the "brutal destruction" by the Soviet Union of a South Korean airliner last month in which 269 people were killed.

The resolution also appealed to governments and the International Civil Aviation organization to ban the use of force against civil aircraft and insisted that Moscow pay compensation to the families of the victims.

Meanwhile, U.S. delegates to the World Tourism Conference in New Delhi yesterday successfully moved a resolution condemning the Soviet for destroying the airliner. (Reuters, AP)

China begins drive against party dissidents

PEKING (AP). — China's Communist Party announced yesterday it has begun a bloodless purge to rid party ranks of radical leftists, party dictators, privilege-seekers and negligent officials who have damaged the party's image and China's confidence in socialism.

Ending a previously unannounced meeting, the party's 210-member central committee declared in radio and television broadcasts that there must be no quotas set for expulsions, no "ruthless struggle and merciless attack," and no disruption of production work.

But a lengthy document on "party consolidation" announced definite targets for expulsion, including "those who stubbornly resist" party policies adopted since December 1978, — meaning the policies of Deng Xiaoping's leadership.

28 killed as Philippines army and rebels clash

MANILA (AP). — Government troops chasing a band of Communist rebels killed 15 insurgents, but 13 soldiers were killed in an ensuing battle on Leyte Island, the armed forces announced yesterday.

The encounter, which took place on Monday, was the bloodiest reported in the country since September 29 when about 100 Communist New People's Army guerrillas gunned down 39 troops and seven civilians in an ambush on Mindanao Island.

Four Europeans scale 7,525m. Annapurna-IV

KATMANDU, Nepal (AP). — An Austrian and three Swiss members of an Austrian Himalayan expedition scaled Annapurna-IV, the 7,525-metre peak of northwest Nepal, on Friday, it was announced here yesterday by the Nepalese Ministry of Tourism. The four were aged between 23 and 58, were accompanied by a Nepalese Sherpa guide.

The 15-member expedition consisted of eight Swiss, five Austrians, one German and a French climber.

Nobody wants (sinking) Lebanese pound

BEIRUT (Reuters). — The Lebanese pound sank below 20 U.S. cents yesterday for the first time since the siege of Beirut in the summer of 1982, dealers said.

"Nobody wants the Lebanese pound," said Hanna Nassar, assistant treasury manager at merchant bankers J. Henry Schroder and Co. "There's nothing to be optimistic about, so why not buy dollars?"

When Israel invaded Lebanon last year, the pound fell to 5.30, rising back to 3.75 at the end of the year. Ever since, the pound has gradually fallen again, moving faster in recent months along with hostilities increasing and declining economic prospects.

Greece and U.S. clash over airspace charges

ATHENS (Reuters). — Greece yesterday re-affirmed charges that U.S. planes violated Greek airspace in a NATO exercise in the Aegean on Tuesday, saying this had endangered civilian aircraft.

The U.S. Embassy in Athens said it was studying the allegations made to its charge of affairs Alan Berlind here Tuesday night, but insisted the U.S. was not obliged to submit flight plans in the course of NATO exercises. Greece withdrew from the Aegean maneuvers two weeks ago.

A Greek government spokesman said U.S. planes based on the aircraft carrier Eisenhower had flown over Greek waters, entered Greek-supervised airspace without warning and at least twice flown over Greek islands.

Poles protest to Norway over Wales's prize

WARSAW (AP). — The Polish government has officially protested to Norway the awarding of the Nobel Peace Prize to Lech Walesa, leader of the outlawed Solidarity labour union, Norwegian diplomats said yesterday.

The Warsaw government summoned the Norwegian ambassador, Kaare Dahlen, on Tuesday and read the protest to him, a Norwegian Embassy spokesman said.

The Poles noted the Norwegian committee that granted Walesa the prize was a private body and directed their complaints against a statement by Norwegian Prime Minister Kaare Willoch praising Walesa for his role, the Norwegian spokesman said.

ENTERTAINMENT

TELEVISION

EDUCATIONAL:

8.15 Judaism 8.40 English 9.00 Simple Arithmetic 9.35 English 10.10 Elementary School Science 10.30 Sumsum Street 11.00 Maths 5.11.15 Geography 5.6 11.45 Advice and Guidance 7.9 12.05 Science 7.8 12.30 High School Literature 13.00 Geography 7.9 13.30 French 15.00 Battle of the Planets 15.25 Sumsum Street 16.00 This Is It — live youth magazine 17.00 A New Evening — live magazine

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES:

17.30 Meeting in the Desert. Part 2 of a 7-part series about a family hiking through the desert.

18.00 Popeye

ARABIC LANGUAGE programmes:

18.30 News roundup

18.32 Situation

18.45 Cartoons

19.00 Meeting — current affairs

19.30 News

HEBREW PROGRAMMES resume at 20.00 with a new roundup

20.03 Match of the Week

20.30 Tatpitz — bi-weekly science and technology magazine

21.00 Match of the Week

21.30 Allegro — monthly musical quiz

22.20 Partners in Crime: The House of Lurking Death, starring James Warwick and Francesca Annis

23.10 The Three Company: Chrissy Come Home

23.35 News

JORDAN TV (unofficial):

17.30 Cartoons, 18.00 French Hour 18.30 (UTV 11) The Misadventure of Sheriff Lobo

19.00 News in French 19.30 News in Hebrew 20.00 News in Arabic 20.30: Three Company 21.10 To be announced 22.00 News in English 22.15 Feature Film.

First Programme

6.30 Programmes for Olim

7.30 Light Classical Music — Works by Weber, Paganini, Beethoven, Mendelssohn, Rimsky — Korsakov and others.

9.30 Programme in Easy Hebrew

10.05 Encounter — live family and social affairs magazine

11.10 Elementary School Broadcasts

11.30 Education for all

12.05 Persian Songs

13.00 News in English

13.00 News in French

14.00 Children's Programmes

15.30 Speaker's Podium

15.53 Notes on a New Book

16.05 Afternoon Classics

17.12 Jewish Ideas

17.30 Everman's University

18.05 Middle East Crossroads

18.47 Bible Reading — Chronicles 22:1-10

19.05 Balet Hatatof

19.30 Programme for Olim

22.05 Together with...

23.05 A Friend from the Same Planet

Second Programme

6.12 Gymnastics

6.30 Editorial Review

6.54 Green Light — drivers' corner

7.00 This Morning — news magazine

8.05 Film Thing — with Ehud Manor

16.05 All Studies of the Network — morning magazine

12.05 Open Line — news and music

13.00 Midday — news commentary, music

14.10 Matters of Interest

15.30 Any Questions?

17.10 Economics Magazine

17.25 Of Men and Figures

18.05 Safe Journey

19.05 Today — radio newscast

19.30 Hebrew songs

20.05 Root — folklore magazine

21.10 Hebrew songs

22.05 Yiddish songs

23.05 Night Games

Army

6.06 Morning Sounds

6.30 University on the Air

7.07 "707" — with Alex Anski

9.05 Morning Newslet

9.05 Film Nuv — with Rafi Reshef

11.05 Musical Requests — with Shira Gert

12.05 Israeli Autumn — with Eli Yisraeli

13.05 To the Point at 10

14.05 Time Out

16.05 Four in the Afternoon

17.05 Evening Newslet

18.05 Economics Magazine

19.05 Music Today — music magazine

20.05 Israeli Hit Parade

21.00 Mahat — TV Newscast

23.05 University on the Air (repeat)

22.05 Popular songs

23.05 The Classical Record Shelf — with David Lenz and Ariel Cohen

00.05 Night Birds — songs, chat with Ronnie Toron

CINEMAS

JERUSALEM 4, 7, 9

Eden: Fast One on the World; Eden: Flash Dance; Mitchell: Breathless 7, 9; Orgit: Now and Forever; Orion: Blue Thunder 4, 6, 9; Orna: Dumbhead 4, 6, 9; Orna: Local Hero; Semadar: Missing 7, 9; Blaymer: He'ama; Dolev: Kid-Don 7, 9; Cinema One: Gandhi 5, 8, 30; Israel Museum: E.T. 3, 30; Cinema One: Fun! Leuten 7, 9; Mother Joan of the Angels 7, 9; Alien, midnight.

HAIFA 4, 6, 9

Amphitheatre: The Bestmaster; Amos: Last Plane Out; Hana: Fast One on the World; Cinema One: Officer and a Gentleman; Galor: Fort Apache the Bronx 10, 2, 6; Golan: The 12, 4, 8; Moriah: Tootsie; Orion: Blue Thunder 4, 6, 9; Orion: Local Hero; Orgit: Treasure of the Four Crowns; Orgit: Shark: Draughtman's Contract 6, 5, 9

RAMAT GAN

Amos: Blue Thunder 9, 30 p.m.; Condon: Man 4, 30; Lily: Breathless 7, 15, 30;

TEL AVIV 4, 7, 9, 15, 30

Albany: Heat and Dust 4, 30, 7, 10, 9, 30; Ben-Yehuda: Now and Forever; Cinema 1: Blue Thunder 4, 7, 9, 30; Cinema 2: Officer and a Gentleman 4, 7, 9, 30; Cinema 3: Sorj's Choice 6, 40, 9, 30; Cinema 4: Cemetery Row 4, 7, 9, 30; Cinema 5: Man From Snowy River 10, 30, 1, 30, 4, 30, 7, 15, 9, 30; Cinema One: Long Good Friday: Drive-In: The Yanks 7, 9, 30; Sex: midnight; Esther: Adams: Lo Lotachos; Gert: My Favourite Year; Gert: Another Way 5, 7, 30, 9, 30; Hedi: Breathless; Lev: Local Hero 2, 4, 30, 7, 15, 9, 30; Lev: Day of Zinc 2, 4, 30, 7, 15, 9, 30; Lazer: Tourist Trap; Masha: Rocky Horror Picture Show; Megalit: Tootsie 4, 30, 7, 9, 30; Orly: Treasure of the Four Crowns; Parli: Ticket to Heaven 10, 12, 4, 7, 15, 9, 30; Pearl: Duet for Four; Shira: Flash Chance 4, 15, 7, 15, 9, 30; Studio: Table for Five 4, 7, 9, 30; Tebelet: Double feature, 1 ticket: Star Wars 4, 8, 15; Empire Strikes Back 6, 10, 15; Tel Aviv: High Road to China; Tel Aviv: Masha: Yot; Zafon: One From the Heart; Tazeta: Eighty Three 9, 30 p.m.; Beth Hachayim: Tell Me a Riddle 8, 30

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Qasr: Frances 6, 9; Orna: How to Drive Girls Crazy 4, 7, 15, 30; Ramat Gan: Ootopussy 7, 9, 30

HERZLIYA

David: One From the Heart 7, 15, 30; Theater: Tootsie 7, 15, 30

HOLON

Migdal: Blue Thunder 7, 15, 30; Condon: Man 4, 30; Sawa: High Road to China 4, 30, 7, 9, 30

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Jerusalem MUSEUMS

Israel Museum: Exhibitions: Moritz Oppenheim, First Jewish Painter, Tip of the Iceberg No. 2, New Acquisitions of Israel Art, Mario Merz, Italian artist, From "Pong" to Home Computer, survey of computer history (closed Saturdays) — until 15.10. China and the Islamic World, ceramic influences (until 31.10); On Lamp Section: Permanent Collection of Judaism, Art and Archaeology; Primitive Art: Looking at Pictures; Permanent Exhibit in Pre-History Hall; Contemporary Israeli Art: Special Exhibits: Yehoshua Neugim, Drawings 1983, Torah Filiale (Rimolim) produced by Yehoshua Neugim, Jewish smiths at beginning of 20th century. Reopened.

Wier Museum: Jewish Kingdom Fortified in Kadash Barnea; New World of Paper (Paley Centre next to A. Rockefeller Museum).

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DESIGNS ON A NATION

Ita Heinze-Mühleib recalls the architect Erich Mendelsohn, who died 30 years ago



Erich Mendelsohn (right) examines the proposed site of Hadassah Hospital on Mt. Scopus.

Louise Mendelsohn remembers; "The news that Eric Mendelsohn was in Jerusalem, that he had been appointed architect for the Weizmann house, spread like wildfire. His client from Germany, Salomon Schocken, had come to live in Jerusalem and had plans to build a house and a library for his valuable Kabbala collection and other rare books and etchings. A large hospital was being planned by Hadassah... Eric was beleaguered by visitors discussing building projects."

The planning of the first projects was taken over by Mendelsohn's office in London, but by spring 1935 he had rented the old windmill in

Rehavia's Ramban Street to establish a second — his Palestine — office. That was the beginning of his "shuttle" — half a week in London, half a week in Jerusalem.

It was not until 1939 that he gave up his residence in London and moved to Jerusalem. But two years later, when World War II brought all building activity to a halt, he left Palestine for America.

MENDELSON'S architectural start in Palestine in 1934 was extraordinarily successful. Among the buildings he designed between 1934 and 1941 were — apart from the Weizmann residence — the

Schocken residence and library and the Anglo-Palestine bank in Jerusalem; the Hadassah Hospital on Mount Scopus; the government hospital in Haifa; the Daniel Wolf Laboratories at the Weizmann Institute and the agricultural college at Rehovot. Every new Mendelsohn project aroused great interest, and students at the Haifa Technion made studies of the Palestine buildings as part of their syllabus.

Mendelsohn's Palestine architecture is, of course, a far cry from his first expressionist projects, such as the Einstein Tower. But it is also different from his late German period. The Mediterranean

loosened the rigidity of Berlin.

It goes without saying that he did not completely break with the forms and syntax of his buildings in Germany or England, but he carefully adapted them to the local landscape, topography, climate and culture. He incorporated basic aspects of Arab architecture into his work, propagating an East-West synthesis: Arab wisdom and experience combined with European scientific and technical knowledge. The introverted Weizmann residence, which concentrates buildings around an open patio, is an expressive example.

His solid forms follow function; he used solid walls instead of the wide German windows, and opened buildings to the prevailing winds, closing them towards the glaring sunlight. He tried to solve each problem individually: his plans for Jerusalem differed from those in the coastal region. While he used the Levantine white stucco for his buildings in Haifa and Rehovot, his Jerusalem work is traditionally stone-faced.

He didn't think much of internationalistic tendencies in architecture, "for internationalism means the nationless aesthetics of a decaying world." His East-West synthesis was based on political and philosophical thoughts on the situation of the Jews in Palestine; "Dismemberment makes comprehensible the attitude of the Jews towards the problems they had to face on their return to Palestine: their attitude towards the Arab world in the East to which they had immigrated and towards the European world in the West from which they had emigrated."

The pamphlet "Palestine and the World of Tomorrow," published in 1940, contains his political creed. "Palestine can only be built up in close collaboration with the Arabs... only if both peoples come to an understanding can it become a place of well-being," he wrote.

DESPISE — or perhaps because of — his attitude towards Palestine, Mendelsohn was reproached as being half-hearted, and many people criticized his guest status. If he wanted to practise his profession in Palestine, they said, he ought to reside there permanently and not sit in England and expect commissions to be offered him from Palestine. If he felt he was a Jew, he should make up his mind to live in Palestine and contribute towards the renaissance of his people.

But Mendelsohn came to Palestine as a successful architect, not as a pioneer or Zionist. He was — and all his life remained — an individualist, who never belonged to a political or architectural movement. He was a lone wolf.

His life was dedicated to architecture until the last minute. Hans Schiller, a long-time colleague, remembers: "In spring 1953, Eric called me to his study. He was standing with his back to me as I entered, not bent over his board as he was wont to be. There was an oppressive silence... Without turning around, he said simply, 'Hans, I have just been told that I have but a short time to live.' It was unimaginable. Erich Mendelsohn was full of vitality, youth and a vigour rarely found in younger men. 'There is still much to be done,' he went on. 'I intend to continue living and working as if nothing had happened. There was no change in his routine — if anything, he worked harder than ever before. There was never any mention of the end.'"

Erich Mendelsohn died on September 15, 1953.

Jewish folk hero

By HANOCHE TELLER / Special to The Jerusalem Post

that his sole motivation was to bring Jews closer together and stop them besmirching each other.

There is, the story goes, only one law regarding *lashon hara* about which the Hafetz Hayim was not resolved. That one may not defame someone else, or even listen to gossip — be it true or false — was not up for question. But what about speaking badly about oneself? Surely this could not be slander? An incident finally brought the Hafetz Hayim to a decision on this point.

"Once, on a trip out of town, he shared a coach with a Jew from far away. As was his custom, the Hafetz Hayim tried to befriend his traveling companion.

"Shalom aleichem, who are you, where are you from and where are you headed?"

"My name is —, I am from — and I am going to hear the holy Hafetz Hayim speak." Unaware that he was addressing the sage himself, the traveller continued to extol him.

"He really isn't all you make him out to be," the Hafetz Hayim assured him.

"But what are you saying? Do you know who you are referring to?" retorted the stranger.

"Yes, I know him very well, and I repeat — when you get to know him he isn't really that great."

The discussion continued until, finally, the Jew was unable to control his rage at the blasphemy and slapped the other in the face.

By this time, the coach had arrived at its destination and hundreds of people thronged around it to greet the Hafetz Hayim. When his companion realized whom it was he had hit, his shame was so great that, from then on, the Hafetz Hayim ruled that one may not even speak *lashon hara* about oneself.

genius. The *Mishna Brura* was, and remains, a work of the highest order of Torah scholarship.

Despite this achievement, however, the Hafetz Hayim considered himself inferior to Rav Haim Ozer Grodzensky, the rabbi of Vilna, who was over 30 years his junior, and whom he held to be *gadol hador*, the greatest Torah authority of the generation, deferring to his authority on all issues.

But with all his respect for Rav Haim Ozer, the Hafetz Hayim would dispute with him in the self-deprecating manner he always employed to avoid an argument.

In 1923, the Hafetz Hayim felt that the Jewish communities should provide free kosher meals for Jewish soldiers who were stationed near or passed through towns with large Jewish populations. Before launching this project, which he called Kessel Kosher (Kosher kettle), he undertook the gruelling trek to Vilna to seek the approval and support of Rav Haim Ozer.

But Rav Haim Ozer felt there were other priorities which superseded this project. Obviously disappointed, the Hafetz Hayim shrugged and said, "What can I do? People consider me a God-fearing Jew. When I am called to the world to come, they will ask me why I did nothing to provide kosher food for Jewish conscripts. What will I say? Perhaps I'll tell them that I was not lazy or indifferent; that I made the hard trip to Vilna, even though I was weak and past 80. But the Rabbi of Vilna was the *gadol hador*, and he said I was wrong. Who knows better than the *gadol hador* what is right or wrong?"

Reb Haim Ozer knew he had been bested. He called a public meeting in the central synagogue, to be addressed by the Hafetz Hayim. At the meeting Kessel Kosher was born.

WHILE THE Hafetz Hayim viewed Rav Haim Ozer as the prominent Jewish leader of the generation, European Jewry clearly favoured the Hafetz Hayim. Thousands of Jews flocked to the grand assembly (*Knesset Gedola*) in Vienna in 1923, often for no other reason than to catch a glimpse of the legendary scholar.

Let us examine the reaction of a secular correspondent to the Hafetz Hayim's effect on the Viennese assembly. H. Mauskopf filed the following dispatch in the September 23, 1923 edition of the New York *Forward*, a Yiddish daily known for its socialist policies and anti-religious slant:

"The Sokolover Rebbe, who is in the midst of speaking, is suddenly silent, his hand remaining outstretched, as though frozen. The audience, the presidium, the journalists, and the guests in the galleries all stand up. Rabbis, *tzaddikim* and religious Jews rise from their places. There is a silent, restrained movement, a rustle of awe and respect. Stern commands are heard from the ushers: Make room! Make an aisle!"

"The crowd makes way. People push atop one another, with bated breath, with a shudder in their hearts. They step back momentarily, forming two rows of people in the centre of the hall, two rows of rabbinical delegates in shining satin coats with long white beards.

"Between the two rows, several rabbis escort — why do I say escort? they virtually carry — a tiny, frail old man, venerable, hunched, with a

small white beard and a simple, poor black coat, a plain back scarf around his neck...

"When you first see this small, 90-year-old man, he makes a strange impression on you. You feel a shudder of awe and love, an enormous respect and a boundless regard. When you look more closely, you see the face of an angel, of a servant of God. The Divine Presence rests on that face and you must close your eyes because of the brilliance that shines from the small, grey-blue, wise eyes. When he stands at the rostrum and speaks, two rabbis flank him and support him by the arms.

"The entire assemblage listens standing. His voice is weak, but clear. He calls Jews to unity, to peace, to goodness, to piety, to love, and to action. His small, bent frame shakes as he speaks. His small white beard glows from the distance like freshly fallen snow. From his eyes glows an entire world of wisdom and goodness...

"This is how I imagine Hillel the Elder must have appeared. Out of

the hall he moves between rows of standing rabbis. He walks quickly, energetically, with his white head bent toward the ground...

"And when he is lifted and helped into the car, the whole street is black with people. They jostle each other for a glimpse of the Hafetz Hayim. Christians remove their hats out of respect. Jews clamber onto the automobile, on the wheels, on the hood.

"Everyone wants to see the Hafetz Hayim, to touch the hem of his poor long coat. Those closest extend trembling hands into the car. The Hafetz Hayim says 'Shalom,' with his frail, thin fingers... Shalom. It is chaotic... the police are powerless. They can't restore order. They, too, push and, captivated, look respectfully at this strange, small old man with the satin cap on his white head... the Hafetz Hayim."

HE WORE the same poor black coat every day. He kept a special silk one in his closet ready to be donned upon news of the Messiah's coming. His firm belief in the imminent arrival of the Messiah which he spoke and wrote about in *Tzippa Leyishua* was reflected in more than his wardrobe. His whole lifestyle emphasized that this world is ephemeral, true living beginning only in the world to come.

An American Jew once visited

the Hafetz Hayim in his home, in the small town of Radun, Poland. The visitor was amazed at how bare the furnishings were in the dwelling of so-noted a sage. There was nothing but a simple table, a chair and a bed. Astonished, he asked why there were no other furnishings or necessities.

The Hafetz Hayim replied with a soft question: "Tell me, where is your furniture?" More puzzled than before, the visitor retorted, "I am simply a tourist on a trip, and am not stopping long in any one place. I need no furniture on such an excursion; it would only get in my way."

The Hafetz Hayim smiled. "I too am only a tourist, a mere traveller in this world, expecting to be here only a short while. This world is only a vestibule before the world to come. For a vestibule, it is furnished quite adequately."

A reporter from the *Herald Tribune* covering the major religions of Europe after World War I found the Hafetz Hayim in that same simple room. Incredulous that such a famous rabbi could live in such a small town and in such a broken-down home, she refused to believe where she was, until she looked through the window and saw a frail old man with piercing blue eyes poring over a page of the Talmud.

At this she exclaimed, "I have seen the Jewish God."

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When trading resumes on the stock market:

Value of bank shares 'will fall by 27%'

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Although official data has not yet been published in regard to the dollar linkage of the bonds which are to replace the bank shares, it is already clear that on the first day of trading on the stock market the shares will probably fall 27 per cent to reach their economic value in dollars, according to Dr. Manfred Gerstenfeld, of Euroteam, a financial consultancy firm.

The bonds will pay only 85 per cent of their dollar value after five years if they are linked to the price of shares on October 6 (and not 100 per cent as previously reported), and that they will earn an interest rate of 3.6 per cent.

This interest rate is too low to maintain the bonds face value in comparison to other dollar financial instruments. Euroteam thinks Israeli investors will look around for something that will earn a net yield of seven per cent a year.

Nevertheless, even though Israeli investors can get higher net yields by purchasing Eurobonds, sale of the latter before redemption entails paying a capital gains tax.

However, many Israeli bonds in dollars provide a lower net yield

than seven per cent. But we should take into account that in the past few weeks these bond prices have already been discounted in expectation of a devaluation. Moreover, some of these Israeli debentures, like the Gilboaseries, have a floating rate of interest. Thus, investors would be willing to accept a lower yield because in the future there might be runaway inflation abroad, with adjustments in the interest rate.

As a result of the above, if everybody acts rationally when the stock exchange opens, bank shares (or bonds) should fall by about 12 per cent in shekels on the first day of trading.

Moreover, there is very little chance that these shares (or bonds) would increase in price in dollar terms because the banks themselves hold \$1 billion to \$1.2b. in these shares. And if the prices were to rise above their economic values, the banks would be only too happy to dispose of their own shares, and thus prices could only rise moderately.

On the other hand, these shares should not fall heavily. For example, if they were to fall by 25 per cent, net interest yields would be entirely out of line with yields of

comparable instruments available on the market, Gerstenfeld says. Except for a few unsettled days at the beginning of trading, when the holders of the bank shares may act in a confused manner, bank shares should trade in the future within relatively narrow boundaries in dollar terms.

Since the market capitalization of the shares of the four big banking groups on October 6 was \$6.1b. (according to their theoretical value), their market capitalization on the first day of trading should go down by \$1.76b. to stand at \$4.4b.

This decline will be absorbed totally by the share holders.

However, the picture looks worse than it actually is, because investors in a shekel-oriented environment could in no circumstances maintain the dollar value of their bank shares in a week in which a major devaluation took place. Even if the regulation of the price of the shares had been continued (and not stopped at the end of last week) the price of the shares would have fallen in value by about \$1b.

On the first day of trading, the market capitalization of the stock exchange should fall under \$10b., compared to \$12.8b. at the end of September, 1983.

The market capitalization of all shares at the end of 1981 was only \$8.1b. However, if one takes into account that from the figure of \$12.9b. (at the end of September) the value of all new issues by new companies, and all new issues by existing companies, in 1982 and 1983, should be deducted, then the dollar value of all shares on the market today would in fact fall below the dollar value of the market at the end of 1981. Thus, the stock exchange boom of 1982 has been totally wiped out.

Market value in millions of dollars:

	October 6, 1983	when trading resumes (estimated)
Bank Leumi	2,073	1,513
Hapoalim	2,298	1,677
IDB	1,084	791
Mizrahi	605	441
	6,060	4,422

Estimated opening trading rate of the shares themselves:

	last trading value	estimated opening value
Bank Leumi	1,963	1,790
Hap. registered	3,089	2,810
IDB Ordinary	4,547	4,140
Miz. registered	1,871	1,700



The bicycle repair shop at Kibbutz Shinar Hagolan, in the Jordan Valley, which handles cycle repairs for all kibbutzim in the area.

Gulf nations launch investment body

RIYADH (AP). — Finance and economy ministers of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) yesterday launched the Gulf Investments Organization which will harness \$420 million as a first stage to finance projects within and outside the oil-rich region.

The ministers of the six states, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain and Oman, met in their capacity as members of the constituent assembly of the organization in this Saudi capital city.

They launched the statutes which established that \$420m. represented the first 20 per cent of the capital of the organization.

Bahrain's Finance Minister Ibrahim Abdel-Kerim said that each country's share at this first stage was \$70m. to be paid by November 15 in a special account at the Central Bank of Kuwait.

New Japanese workers more loyal to jobs

Four out of five young Japanese white-collar workers will cancel a date if the boss asks them to work overtime. This was one finding of a survey on work attitudes of new employees. According to the report, new employees this year are more loyal and more willing to adjust to company practices than ever before.

The survey, conducted by the Japan Productivity Centre and the Junior Executive Council of Japan, has been taken annually since 1969. In March and April, 7,300 new employees answered questionnaires on 44 topics ranging from their reasons for entering the company, work goals and attitudes, human relations at the office, leisure time and personal ambitions to their views on the nation, politics and society.

The most notable change in this year's responses compared to the past is in attitudes about the economic and political system. Forty-seven per cent said they want things to stay the way they are. This figure represents an increase of 2 per cent over 1982, but is substan-

tially greater than 10 years ago when only 18 per cent said they were satisfied with the status quo.

This year 76 per cent said that they would "of course" comply with company regulations. This is a 3 per cent increase over 1982 and is 14 per cent higher than 10 years ago.

In response to the question: "What would you do if you were told to work overtime on a night when you had a date?" 79 per cent

said they would cancel the date and work. This is 3 per cent more than last year.

The number of new employees who feel that supervisors have the right to interfere in their private lives has gradually increased. This year the rate was 12 per cent, or 3 per cent greater than ten years ago. A total of 63 per cent, down 11 per cent over the same span, said that bosses should not interfere.

Big Three bank shares rose 198% since start of 1980

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Since the beginning of 1980, anyone investing in the shares of the three big banks (Leumi, Hapoalim, Discount) would have made a real dollar profit of 198 per cent, according to Meitav, a financial consultancy firm.

The firm notes that an investment of \$100,000 — \$28,000 — would have grown to \$83,000 by October 6, 1983 — a profit of \$55,000 or an income of \$1,200 a month.

Thus, the \$28,000 investment in 1980 would have provided an income equal to twice the average wage in the country. Meitav notes that an investment in Mizrahi would

have provided an even greater return.

The bank shares soon became accepted by the public as a sort of bond whose price rose steadily, without any danger of falling, says Meitav. The value of the shares rose so fast that they actually reached a level three to four times their actual value. Not only this, but the value of the shares of the big banks reached a point where they were equal to the value of the shares of Chase Manhattan, one of the largest banks in the world.

Meitav also notes that the high yield, and assumed safety, of the bank shares, simply forced the Bank of Israel out of the market when it came to raise funds by floating issues of index-linked bonds.

Pensioners with bank shares 'need help'

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Special arrangements should be made for pensioners holding bank shares. This was demanded yesterday in cables sent to the prime minister, the finance minister and the minister of labour and social affairs, by Oriel Abramowitz, head of the Organization of Pensioners in the Histadrut.

He noted that special arrange-

ments had been made for the elderly when the compulsory loans and the Peace for Galilee levy were imposed.

Natan Amozalino, Histadrut treasurer, pointed out that pensioners could not wait six years for the return of their savings if they turned their shares into savings scheme. He demanded that these pensioners be allowed to tap these bonds after three years with full linkage.

Workers call on gov't, public to save Israel Shipyards

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The three committees representing all 920 employees of Israel Shipyards yesterday called on the government and the public to intervene to save the yard "from the incapable and amateurish management."

The committees — of the workers, administrative staff and engineers — warned that they would use every measure at their disposal to save the yard. They said,

too, that they would resist management plans to fire 200 workers.

The committees charged that since founding general manager Yisrael Libertowsky had been thrown out two years ago, the new management had brought the yard to its knees, with no work in hand.

The shipyards, founded 24 years ago, are government owned and have built navy missile boats as well as civilian vessels. The yard recently ran out of work and its staff is virtually idle, with no new hard orders yet in sight.

Inflation expected to top 10 per cent a month

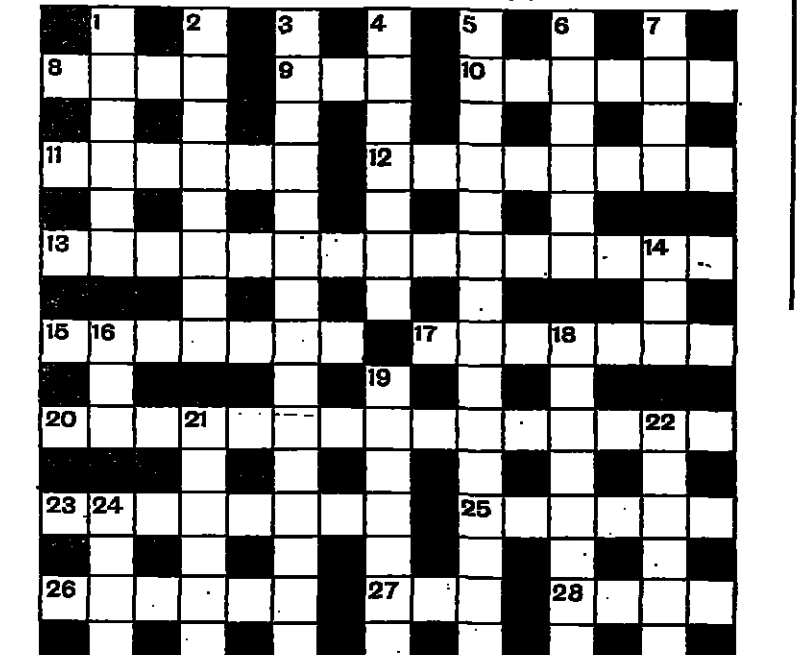
TEL AVIV. — Inflation in several of the next few months will top the two digit — ten per cent — mark, according to Euroteam. This statement is based on calculations made following the recent devaluation and hike in food prices.

Euroteam, exactly half a year ago, predicted that a new inflationary record would be set in 1983, more than the 133 per cent record set in 1980. So far, the highest monthly figure was 13.3 per cent in April, 1983.



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- ACROSS**
- 8 & 9 Strip cartoon? (4,3)
 - 10 Conceive an all-round cover (6)
 - 11 An army boss getting Mme Peron some foreign capital (6)
 - 12 Having no ties on earth (8)
 - 13 Newsmen discussing how to get the most out of a juicy summit? (5,10)
 - 15 Friendly drink (7)
 - 17 Here for something free (7)
 - 20 One gets there after training (7,8)
 - 23 & 26 A business where hearts rule heads? (8,6)
 - 25 He may drop a line to a school (6)
 - 26 See 23
 - 27 Dull fellow in classics (5)
 - 28 Consenting words made easy (4)
- DOWN**
- 1 Rush headlong into occupation (6)
 - 2 Cornered, so adjourned (8)
 - 3 Upright types for the cast of "Julius Caesar"? (5, 10)
 - 4 A noisy scene of hostilities surrounding some insult (7)
 - 5 Too soon after the uprising for anything to have been taken down (6,8)
 - 6 & 7 Some timely measures for Christmas? (6, 4)
 - 14 Preserve from scandal... (3)
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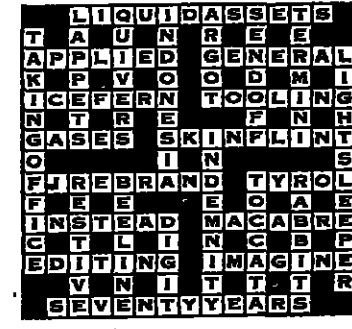
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Sports

Superlad strikes again

By PHILIP GILLON and JACK LEON

RAMAT HASHARON. — America's new tennis sensation, 16-year-old Aaron Krickstein, came through his second round with a victory in a magnificent match against South Africa's Schalk van der Merwe 6-3, 7-5. This afternoon he faces Israel's Sahar Perkis in a quarter-final game that may well provide one of the finest contests of the Israel Tennis Centre's \$90,000 Volvo Grand Prix tournament here.

Perkis beat Harald Theissen of West Germany 6-3, 6-2, but the match was far keener than the score suggests, many games going to deuce. Spectators going to the Grand Prix here are probably privileged to see a memorable sight — the start of the professional career of a youth who is almost certain to end up among the stars. Krickstein has played in five Grand Prix tournaments, but has only now turned professional, although he displays the poise, temperament and fighting qualities of a veteran. His tremendous two-handed backhand and his ferocious forehand shots, placed with uncanny precision, are reminiscent of the shots played by the great Jimmy Connors himself — he also possesses Connors' remarkable attribute of returning even very strong first services with great power on both hands. He also grunts like Jimmy.

Like Connors, he is essentially a base-line player, seldom going up to the net. When he did so yesterday, he won several points with very pretty drop shots. When his opponent was overboard, Krickstein lifted top-spin lobs over his head that fell close to the base line.

Against such a talented player, Schalk van der Merwe, a qualifier, played great tennis to do as well as he did. He met power with power, placements with placements, sometimes even outdriving Krickstein. He also served several more aces, but, as against this, dropped unnecessary points through doubles. He was leading 5-2 in the second set, but Krickstein hung in there coolly to take the set 7-5.

Sahar Perkis was his usual fluent self in his match against Theissen, except that he seemed to be having some trouble getting in his usually very strong first service, and so set-

led much of the time for spin. He possesses every shot in the game, varying top spin with power drives, taking the net whenever an opportunity arises. Like Shlomo Glickstein, his temperament is ideal, and he never gets flustered.

This cannot be said about poor Amos Mansdorf, who carries on a constant war with himself, occasionally fighting on a second front as well by engaging umpires and linesmen. Unlike John McEnroe, he seems to put himself off his game by these outbursts, so he might be well advised to cool down. In his match against Colin Dowdeswell, the only surviving seed, he played some really terrific passing shots worthy of McEnroe himself, but he was far too erratic and undisciplined to provide any real opposition to Dowdeswell. Dowdeswell dominated the net throughout, using lovely aggressive half-volleys to ensure that he got possession of it, and Mansdorf could find no answer. Dowdeswell, a fine serve and volley player who won the first tourna-



Amos Mansdorf plays great shots, but must learn to keep cool. (Goldfarb IPPA)

ment played when the Ramat Hasharon courts were opened, is obviously a strong candidate to win

it. By a quirk of the draw, he, Perkis and Krickstein are all in the same half, and so the best games may be

played on the way to the final. Rund Evett, who beat Shlomo Glickstein in the first round, seemed to be suffering from a reaction yesterday, and went down to Rickie Myer, 6-1, 4-6, 7-6. Per Hertquist, of Sweden, who has twice been a finalist in Grand Prix tournaments here, was overpowered 7-5, 6-2 by Gilles Moretton, the French Davis Cup player.

Second Round Results:
Aaron Krickstein (USA) def. Schalk van der Merwe (S. Africa) 6-3, 7-5.
Sahar Perkis (Israel) def. Harald Theissen (W. Germany) 6-3, 6-2.
Colin Dowdeswell (Great Britain) def. Amos Mansdorf (Israel) 6-2, 6-4.
Zips Christoph (W. Germany) def. Peter Eker (W. Germany) 3-6, 7-6, 7-6.
Rolf Ghering (W. Germany) def. Eddie Edwards (S. Africa) 6-3, 6-7, 7-6.
Jaromir Becks (W. Germany) def. Stefan Svensson (Sweden) 7-6, 4-6, 6-3.
Rickie Myer (USA) def. Rund Evett (USA) 6-1, 4-6, 7-6.
Gilles Moretton (France) def. Per Hertquist (Sweden) 7-5, 6-2.

The quarter-finals are scheduled to start today at 11 a.m. with the following lineup:
Colin Dowdeswell (Great Britain) vs. Jaromir Becks (W. Germany).
Rolf Ghering (W. Germany) vs. Rickie Myer (USA).
Gilles Moretton (France) vs. Zips Christoph (W. Germany).
Aaron Krickstein (USA) vs. Sahar Perkis (Israel).

Phillies gallop ahead

Post Sports Staff.
The Philadelphia Phillies got off to a galloping start in the World Series by taking the first game of the Series against the Baltimore Orioles 2-1 at Memorial Stadium in a dramatic pitching duel.

John Denny on the mound for the Phillies in the first five innings allowed only three hits — but one of these was a homer, so the Orioles seemed to be flying high.

But they were quickly brought back to earth. In the sixth, Joe Morgan, now over 40 and coming

off one of his worst seasons ever, came up to bat against Scott McGregor. McGregor, who had conceded only two hits, thought that there was a pie in the sky.

Morgan had other ideas for McGregor. He slammed a towering bomer into the right field stands to level the score.

Then, in the eighth, Gerry Maddox filled McGregor's cup of woe to the rim by blasting his best pitch right out of the stadium, giving the Phillies their 2-1 lead. The relieving pitchers then kept the score unchanged till the end of the game.

Baseball's individual titles

NEW YORK (AP). — The race for the National League batting title went down to the final game of the season, and Bill Madlock of the Pittsburgh Pirates held on to win his fourth hitting crown.

Madlock, nursing nagging injuries, did not play in last Sunday's game at Philadelphia and finished the season at .323. Houston's Jose Cruz, meanwhile, was in second place at .320 going into the final game against Cincinnati. Cruz was moved into the lead-off spot for the game, but went 0-for-4 and finished at .318. That allowed Lonnie Smith of St. Louis to move into Second at .322.

Madlock won NL batting titles in 1975 and 1976 with Chicago and won with the Pirates in the strike-shortened 1981 season.

Boston's Wade Boggs, who hit .349 as a rookie last season, hit .361 this year to lead the American League. California's Rod Carew, second at .339, hit over .300 for the 45th consecutive year.

Jim Rice of Boston won the AL home run title with 39 and tied with Milwaukee's Cecil Cooper for the runs batted in title with 126.

In the NL power department, Mike Schmidt of Philadelphia won his sixth home run title with 40 and Atlanta's Dale Murphy led the league in RBI with 121. Last year, Murphy tied with Montreal's Al Oliver for the RBI title with 109.

Tim Lincecum of Montreal stole a career-high 90 bases to lead the NL for the third straight year and topped the League by scoring 132 runs. Ripkey Henderson of Oakland, who set a Major League stolen base record of 130 last season, won the title this year with 108. It marked the fourth consecutive year that he's led in that category and the third year that he has topped 100. Baltimore's Cal Ripken led the AL in runs scored with 122.

Lamar Hoyt of the Chicago White Sox led the majors with 24 victories. Last year, he led the AL with 19. Milwaukee's Moose Haas, 13-3, had the best winning percentage at .813.

John Denny of Philadelphia led the NL with 19 victories and his 19-6 record gave him a .760 winning percentage, best in the league.

The AL leader in earned run average was Rick Honeycutt, who compiled a 2.42 ERA with Texas before being traded to Los Angeles in mid-August. Honeycutt is the first player to win the ERA title in one League while finishing the year in the other League.

This year's NL ERA leader was San Francisco's Atlee Hammaker, who finished with a 2.25 ERA, despite losing his last five decisions.

The sports pages are edited by Philip Gillon and Yaron Kenan.

England still in the hunt

BUDAPEST (AP). — England, battling to keep their European Championship soccer chances alive, blanked Hungary 3-0 yesterday.

The scores were midfielders Glenn Hoddle in the 14th minute, and Sammy Lee in the 19th minute, and striker Paul Mariner in the 42nd.

England, dominant from the start, became even stronger following Hoddle's goal from a free kick. The Tottenham star, omitted from the line-up last month when the English team lost 0-1 against the Danes, was one of the fast game's pacemakers.

Lee connected with a sizzler into the right upper corner, while Mariner scored from close up, after fooling the Hungarian defence. His selection for Wednesday's game

surprised some soccer experts, who pointed to his below average performance for his team, Ipswich.

The Hungarians, who last won a European Championship qualifier against England in 1962, were clearly outclassed, lacking the speed and precision of their opponents. England's defence consistently frustrated Hungary's goal attempts.

The English team, attempting to catch up to the Group Three leader, Denmark, have 10 points after Wednesday's victory, while Hungary, defeated 2-0 at Wembley on April 27, remain at 4 points.

Hungarian manager Gyorgy Mezei conceded before the game that his team had no chance of advancing, but announced his team would do its best, to re-establish its "ragged reputation."

SPORTOTO

By PAUL KOHN

Post Sports Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Eighteen punters marked correctly 12 games listed in last week's Sportoto football pool coupon, each collecting a tidy \$500,000. Those with eleven results right won \$58,300, ten results winning \$5730 and nine right getting \$5110. The minimum payout after this week's games will be \$520 million.

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Turks beat Irish

ANKARA (Reuters). — Turkey beat Northern Ireland 1-0 (halftime 1-0) in a Europe Soccer Championship Group Six qualifying match here yesterday.

Turkey's goal was scored in the 17th minute by Selcuk, who intercepted a pass from Ismail and headed the ball into the Northern Irish net.

The match was played in Ankara's May 19th stadium.

In Bern, Greek club AEK Athens has appealed against the \$9,600 fine imposed by the European Football Union (UEFA) for insulting behaviour towards the referee in the Cup-Winners' Cup match against Hungary's Ujpest Dozsa on September 28.

UEFA said that AEK Athens had also appealed against Evangelos Vlachos' three match ban for spitting at an opponent.

The appeal will be heard on November 18, UEFA said.

Coppell's injury forces him to retire

LONDON (Reuters). — Manchester United and England winger Steve Coppell has been forced to retire from soccer because of a recurring knee injury.

Coppell, 28, last played for United on April 4 and missed the F.A. cup final — which United won — after undergoing an operation on his left knee. After a third operation on the knee last week Coppell was told his professional career was over.

United manager Ron Atkinson said: "It is very, very sad for Steve is a talented player. At a time when our national game is under attack it is ironic that a player who has done so much to help it at club and national level should have to bow out prematurely."

Easy squash

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (Reuters). — Qamar Zaman's bid to end fellow-Pakistani Jahangir Khan's 31-month unbeaten run never got off the ground in the World Squash Championship final last night.

Jahangir, 19, retained his title 9-0, 9-1, 9-3 in only 29 minutes to record his fourth victory over Qamar in a major final this year.

Qamar had hoped to unsettle Jahangir by going for his shots and tiring him out by making him run. But such was the champion's anticipation that his opponent was rarely able to stretch Jahangir.

Qamar contributed to his own downfall with a series of shots into the tin. Only in the final game was he able to string together more than two points at a time, coming back from 0-7 to 3-7. But by then his fate was sealed.

Afterwards Jahangir, world champion since he was 17 and unbeaten since April 1981, said that he had been surprised by the ease of his win.

Grand Prix leaders

PARIS (Reuters). — Mats Wilander of Sweden has improved from third to second behind Czechoslovak Ivan Lendl in the Grand Prix tennis points standings.

The top 12 in the standings meet in the Grand Prix Masters' Tournament in New York in January.

Leaders:

1. Ivan Lendl (Czechoslovakia)	2,274 points
2. Mats Wilander (Sweden)	2,226
3. Jimmy Connors (U.S.)	2,060
4. John McEnroe (U.S.)	1,800
5. Yannick Noah (France)	1,682
6. Bjorn Borg (Sweden)	1,608
7. Jose Aguirre (Spain)	1,333
8. Jose-Luis Clerc (Argentina)	1,125
9. Andres Gomez (Ecuador)	988
10. Guillermo Vilas (Argentina)	936
11. Gene Mayer (U.S.)	854
12. Kevin Curren (South Africa)	853
13. Eliot Tellesche (U.S.)	783
14. Bill Scanlon (U.S.)	777
15. Tomas Sandik (Czechoslovakia)	747

Bank of Israel exchange rates

October 12, 1983	IS		IS
U.S. dollar	80.7295	Canadian dollar	65.5086
British sterling	120.9732	Australian dollar	73.6657
German mark	30.2949	South African rand	72.2489
French franc	10.1092	Belgian franc (10)	15.1747
Dutch guilder	27.5763	Austrian schilling (10)	43.9835
Swiss franc	38.1249	Italian lire (100)	5.0925
Swedish krona	10.3606	Japanese yen (100)	34.4556
Norwegian krone	11.0264	Jordanian dinar	217.16
Danish krone	8.5525	Lebanese lira	15.58
Finnish mark	14.2960	Egyptian pound	71.4456

Money rates

October 12, 1983	Prev	Close
U.S.		
Prime rate	11	11
Discount rate	8	8
Comm. paper 30-180 days	8.95	—
CD's 30-59 days	8.85	8.85
CD's 60-89 days	8.90	9.05
Treasury bills 3 months	8.72	8.83
Treasury bills 6 months	8.72	8.97

Britain

	Prev	Close
Bank base rate	9	9
Call money	9	9
91 days Treasury	8 7/16	8 7/16
3 month interbank	9 7/16	9 7/16

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New York Stock Exchange

NEW YORK. — Wall Street stocks continued to fall yesterday in late trading with the Dow Jones Industrial Average down, near the close, 6.30 points to 1258.84. Declining issues led gainers by a margin of two to one. Volume was approximately 73 million shares.

D.J. Avg.	1258.73	-6.41	Tecaco	36 1/2	- 1/2
Transport	578.00	-5.48	Union Carb.	67 1/2	- 1/2
Utilities	56	- 1/2	United Tech.	67 1/2	- 1/2
Volume	136.40	-43	US Steel	29	- 1/2
			Westinghouse	27 1/2	- 1/2
			Woolworth	37 1/2	- 1/2
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Alcoa	44 1/2	- 1/2	GOLD & SILVER		
Allied Chem.	55 1/2	- 1/2	Gold Fix.	304.75	-1.25
Amer. Brnd.	56 1/2	- 1/2	Ag. Lid.	29 1/2	- 1/2
Amer. Can.	42	- 1/2	Horticulture	29 1/2	- 1/2
Amer. Exp.	38 1/2	- 1/2	ISRAELI SHARES IN NY		
Amer. T & T	64 1/2	- 1/2	Amer. Paper	7 1/2	- 1/2
Beth Steel	34	- 1/2	Amalg. A	3 1/2	- 1/2
Chrysler	30 1/2	- 1/2	Ampl. Pfd.	10	- 1/2
Du Pont	42 1/2	- 1/2	Alliance	8 1/2	- 1/2
East Kodak	71 1/2	- 1/2	Electronics Ord.	13 1/2	- 1/2
Emurk	82 1/2	- 1/2	Elron Ord.	12	- 1/2
Exxon	38 1/2	- 1/2	Elron Pfd.	—	—
Gen. Elect.	53 1/2	- 1/2	Elcom	16 1/2	- 1/2
Gen. Food	48 1/2	- 1/2	Eiz. Luvud	26 1/2	- 1/2
Gen. Motors	76 1/2	- 1/2	IDB Ord.	—	—
Goodyear	31 1/2	- 1/2	IDB Pfd.	—	—
Intl Bus.	132 1/2	- 1/2	Interpharm	5	- 1/2
Intl Harv.	11 1/2	- 1/2	Laser Indus.	17	- 1/2
Intl Paper	42 1/2	- 1/2	Scitex	20 1/2	- 1/2
Intl Nickel	15 1/2	- 1/2	Taro-Vit	38	- 1/2
Owens	12 1/2	- 1/2	Teva	3	- 1/2
Procter Gam.	58 1/2	- 1/2			
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SWEDEN	KRONA	10.3108	10.4144	10.1500	10.6200
NORWAY	KRONE	10.9765	11.0669	10.8000	11.3100
DENMARK	KRONE	8.5136	8.5992	8.3800	8.7700
FINLAND	MARK	14.2283	14.3714	14.0300	14.6400
CANADA	DOLLAR	65.1681	65.8232	64.4800	67.1300
AUSTRALIA	DOLLAR	73.0903	73.8230	70.7700	75.9600
SOUTH AFRICA	RAND	71.8482	72.5704	68.8200	77.1200
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AUSTRIA	SCHILLING	43.7984	44.1287	43.9800	45.1100
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The Weizman balloon

PERSISTENT rumours have it that Premier Yitzhak Shamir will replace the finance minister, Yoram Aridor, with Ezer Weizman, the former defence minister.

Mr. Shamir is reported to have stoutly denied any such intention — but only for the time being. He is said to have declared that there will be no personnel changes in the cabinet during the next few weeks. Mr. Shamir will first give the cabinet time to settle down and organize itself properly.

By implication, however, the door is left open for Mr. Weizman to take over at the Treasury at some later date, perhaps within two or three months.

The idea of coopting the popular charmer, Mr. Weizman, has been broached by a number of Likud politicians who are rightly appalled by the inept Mr. Aridor's utter loss of public confidence. Acting on it could, however, cost Mr. Shamir the support of some coalition partners, to whom the idea is anathema. The Tehiya Party and Haim Druckman's one-man Matzad faction have already served notice that they would bolt if the man they largely hold responsible for the Camp David accords were to rejoin the cabinet. This would rob Mr. Shamir of his absolute majority in the Knesset.

Even as finance minister, MK Geula Cohen suggested yesterday, Mr. Weizman could shift the cabinet away from its appointed course and prevent it from being a government of continuity. He could, for example, put spokes in the wheels of Jewish settlement in Judea and Samaria.

The fear seems insubstantial, and it is somewhat odd that it should be propagated by people who did not oppose the recent talks on a national unity government in which the Labour Party, with a programme to the left of Mr. Weizman's, would have taken about a third of the seats. But the real puzzle is why Mr. Weizman, who resigned some three years ago in protest against the first Begin administration's policy of doing nothing to advance peace, should be prepared, as evidently he is, to serve in a cabinet in which those policies have hardened into a dogma.

The reason, of course, is that the present cabinet is headed not by the authoritative figure of Menachem Begin but by the grey and unexceptionable Yitzhak Shamir whose days, in the opinion of many, are numbered. The public, moreover, is in a state of "despondency and depression" far worse than that to which Mr. Weizman drew attention in resigning. But now, as cabinet minister again, he would presumably be in a position to lift the public's spirits and make a personal comeback.

This, then, is the opportunity for the still ambitious Mr. Weizman to put in his bid for the Likud succession. The Likud politicians who are pushing his candidacy for their part are not so much concerned with rescuing the economy as they are with rescuing their government and party.

These politicians therefore conveniently ignore the question of whether Mr. Weizman is in fact a suitable choice for finance minister. A grievously ailing economy cannot be cured, and the shattered public confidence cannot be restored, by boyish charm alone. A show of competence and a sound programme are necessary, too. And the truth is that, for all his signal contribution to the peace process with Egypt, starting in 1977, Mr. Weizman did not distinguish himself as defence minister.

While he has lately been active in private business, there is no indication that Mr. Weizman would know what to do with the powers of the Treasury, once they were vested in him.

The one argument in favour of Mr. Weizman is that, even at worst, he would probably be an improvement on Yoram Aridor — a disastrous failure as finance minister whose forte has been falsehood, who has been unable to bring himself to acknowledge any errors, and who is now seeking to shift the entire burden of economic recovery to the frail shoulders of Israel's wage-earners.

But for the post of finance minister in these times, the qualifications needed are rather more than simply improving upon Mr. Aridor.

DRIVING BACK from work on Tuesday evening, I saw two men perched perilously on the roof of the Bank of Israel building in the Jerusalem Kirya. They were from the maintenance staff who, against the darkening sky, seemed to be hoisting a flag above the bank; almost saluting it on what was possibly one of the worst days in Israel's economic history. A day of national degradation with men and women shoving and pushing in hour-long lines at supermarkets to purchase whatever they could snatch off the shelves. Anything, even a five-year supply of cooking oil bought by a family that does not have money for milk, was better than the shekel.

A flag was being raised over the Bank of Israel the day after ministers of the new government sat down on the identical chairs they held under the old government, and came up with the same half-baked, stop-gap measures, moulded out of compromise rather than policy, that had brought this country to the brink of catastrophe.

THE TERM confidence or rather lack of confidence in the government, has been flogged to death in the media commentaries of the past week, which has been marked by dramatic events on the economic front. And yet it is impossible to escape the glaring fact that what we call our economic crisis, in the final analysis, hinges on the degree of confidence we have in our economic leadership and the extent to which they deserve it.

At the present moment, it is as obvious as anything can be in public life that Finance Minister Yoram Aridor does not possess the confidence either of the vast majority of the public, or of most of his political colleagues, who are desperate to find a replacement for him, and quickly. To which one must add that he certainly is not deserving of confidence.

The problem is not so much what Aridor has been saying as what he has been doing, and what he has shown himself to be clearly incapable of doing.

To be sure, what Aridor has been saying is problematic enough, but not in regard to the question of the public's confidence in his ability to lead the country through an economic crisis. His sweetness-and-light appearance on Mabat on Tuesday night was as cynical a reversal as could be of his acid performance just a week earlier, in which he thundered that all was right with the economy, except for what was being undermined by the irresponsible and vindictive media.

But given that a sufficiently large part of the public has been brainwashed by Likud demagogues into mistaking the media it did not take that cynical turnaround and

FIXING THE BLAME

By HIRSH GOODMAN

But it is not at the government's behaviour that we should be looking critically if we are to retain our national self-respect. After all, the government is comprised of politicians, and what can one expect of them? No: it is our own behaviour we should be taking stock of. The behaviour of those among us who, a few short weeks ago, were boasting to our friends how our brilliant manipulation of the stock market had paid (well, almost) for that trip to London. You know, the week during which we ate ourselves sick each evening stopping only to get to

the theatre, at God knows how many shekels a seat. All 400,000 of us who went abroad this year. And what of the ones who made enough to build a house, or to buy a newer, just a little bigger car?

For some of these are the people who were pushing and shoving to buy up everything they could on Tuesday. People waiting in their \$25,000 cars for two hours to save a few shekels on gas. And why not? They were only on their way to work.

THE CRIES of those whose bank

shares fell to where they should have been, drowned out the muted protest of the old and the infirm who remain forgotten in the shechunot, who could not carry a 20-litre jerrycan of fuel home from the gas station, so that this winter's heating could stretch that much longer. And the protest of those who have not the strength to take two buses to the supermarket, and two buses back again, laden with heavy baskets that would overburden a younger person.

And we, the public, continue to stand for the absurdity of having our lives dictated by the combined power of the fringe groups that are holding the government, all of us in fact, hostage. How can we tolerate another week of what we have just been through?

It is simplistic to demand Aridor's blood; or to think that replacing the finance minister by Ezer Weizman, and making Aridor foreign minister, is going to help any. Not 12 hours had passed since that festive glass of President's Wine was raised at Beit

Hanassi, before Moda'i was publicly stabbing Aridor in the back; before Avraham Shapira, who represents all of under 6 per cent of Israeli voters, was dictating the terms of the settlement with the banks; before Herut was splitting into supporters of Aridor and those demanding his head; before Tami was warning that the economic measures adopted by the government had better conform with the dictates of its vocal minority; before Tehiya was saying that it would pull out of a government with Ezer Weizman in it, and before Rabbi Lorincz was declaring that the Ramot pool was a national issue that could topple the government.

They have to resign. There have to be elections now. We owe it to ourselves; and we owe it to the 512 soldiers who lost their lives, and the thousands of others who risked theirs, as a result of the disastrous policy of the government that has led us into our present morass.

The writer is a member of The Jerusalem Post editorial staff.

CYNICAL ARIDOR

By YOSEF GOELL

play-acting to engender the widespread lack of confidence in the minister of finance.

TO THE BEST of our knowledge, it was not demented left-wing knee-jerk critics of the government who flocked to the banks last week to dump their bank shares and buy up dollars at the sign given by Aridor that no devaluation was in the offing. Nor was it the certified members of the dyed-in-the-wool anti-Likud crowd who shipped suitcases packed full of one hundred dollar bills abroad under guard, to escape possible future devaluations by the Aridor Treasury.

The loss of confidence in the government, and especially in Aridor, is not so much among those who never had confidence in them because of their political predilections as among those who make up the backbone of the erstwhile Likud electorate, and even more important, among the non-committed of the huge floating vote.

They have lost confidence and are showing it, in their economic behaviour because it has become clear to anyone with eyes in his head that the political managers of our economy (not to mention the

ostensible professionals who head our banks) don't know what they're doing.

THE SITUATION with Aridor is eerily reminiscent of the process of the collapse of confidence in the political leadership that gave us the Lebanon war fiasco. There, too, it was not the talk of those political leaders that was off base. A good argument could be made that there was no alternative to a large-scale military action in Southern Lebanon to forestall the burgeoning PLO threat. But the doing was catastrophically feeble; sufficiently so eventually to persuade even inveterate Begin supporters that their men simply didn't know what they were doing in Lebanon.

The difference between the roles of Arik Sharon in the Lebanon fiasco and that of Aridor in the present economic one is a good textbook study in the uses of power.

Arik botched Lebanon because his domineering, dictatorial character turned it into a personal war, in which no second opinions or other corrective intelligences were permitted to interfere.

Aridor, who in his own way, is as bull-headedly stubborn as Arik, simply never possessed the political clout to have his way in the cabinet. The truth is that he did conduct a cynical electorate — buying policy of economic profligacy in the 1981 elections, in that he was simply emulating, and improving on, previous Labour finance ministers, like Eshkol, Sapir and Rabinowitz.

The truth also is that Aridor was intelligent enough to want to reverse that ruinous policy in the fall of 1981, when it had already performed its vote-buying function and had become dangerous to the economy. He simply couldn't pull it off, because the Begin government, which he had been instrumental in re-electing, simply did not recognize his paramount position in the management of the economy and refused to go along in a saner policy.

Unlike his morose but honest predecessor, Yigael Hurwitz, Aridor was weak enough and vain enough to hang on to the Treasury although his claim to economic leadership had been rejected by his colleagues.

At which point I should, as a veteran Begin-knocker, put in a good word for Menachem Begin. Begin had always evinced an instinctive distrust of Arik Sharon, and an equally visceral dislike of Aridor. Maybe Begin knew something that the rest of us didn't?

The tragedy is that in the end, a weakened Begin gave in on handing Defence to Sharon and in acquiescing in Aridor's taking over the Treasury to save him at the polls. Aridor pulled off that rescue mission, but botched the economy.

WHY HARP on the issue of confidence? After all, can it not be restored by some improved coaching on TV appearances and waiting for another turn in the wheel of economic fortune?

Apparently not. Aridor openly admits that all the stringent measures adopted in such panic, disorganized fashion this week will have been for naught if they are not followed by much more stringent steps in the direction of unflinching wages and prices.

The key to success there is called confidence. No one in the government-for-himself, grasping Israel of the 1980s will willingly give up his own part of the totally linked economic safety net without being assured that all the rest of us are making similar sacrifices.

At the best of times, persuasively disseminating such a message of controlled and shared sacrifice calls for a very high order of political leadership. Can there be any doubt that Yoram Aridor does not come even close?

Part of the tragedy of the Likud is that its own leaders are convinced that none of the rest of them does either. That is the explanation for the demeaning feelers put out to the outsider maverick Ezer Weizman to take over the Treasury from Aridor's faltering hands.

Whether Weizman will, and whether, if he does, he has it in him to succeed or will prove to be the Yigael Yadin political chimera of the 1980s, is what they call in Hebrew "another opera."

The writer is a member of The Jerusalem Post editorial staff.

READERS' LETTERS

ANTAGONISM, NOT HATRED

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — In his otherwise quite interesting articles on the prospects for national unity (September 26), Professor Benjamin Akzin uses the trite and tired formula of "the Alignment's irrational hatred of an allegedly fascist revisionism." He thus carries the old and hatred-fanning virus of market-place rhetoric into the domain of political discussions which should remain free of it.

I consider myself close to the Alignment and I feel an antagonism towards Revisionism and the Likud, usually based on very rational grounds. At times I am also irritated by the Likud's policies and rhetorics. But "irrational hatred"? Come off it, Professor Akzin. Don't bandy that kind of talk around. It does not suit you. You may remember what Trotsky said of Stalin: "Stalin claims that I hate him. Let him be assured: I never dignified him by elevating him to the ranks of those whom I hate."

Professor Akzin also claims that the opposition shudders at the thought of the trouble which the "extremist" (the quotation marks are Akzin's) Arik Sharon may cause. Why the quotation marks around "extremist"? Does Professor Akzin not have feelings which he would rather not experience when he sees and hears the rabble-rousing Sharon on the rostrum?

Dr. BERTHOLD WYLER
Jerusalem.

YAD VASHEM MEMORIAL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — When I read your report of October 3 about the new Yad Vashem outdoor memorial called "The Valley of the Destroyed Communities" that is going to be built, I started to cry. However, the tears were not tears of sadness, but of utter frustration. I am definitely a believer in never forgetting the Holocaust. I think the idea and implementation of Yad Vashem was a necessary project. It does marvelous work and should be commended. But I think that enough is enough; we have enough memorials to the dead in Israel. Perhaps we should start building "living" memorials to those who died in the Holocaust.

To use \$8 million at the present time to build rocks and caves seems ludicrous, when people here cannot even afford to buy a flat to live in. Would it not be a more appropriate memorial, to build a living community with reasonably priced houses on streets with the names of the destroyed communities?

I understand the money for this project comes from donations and everyone wants to spend his money the way he sees fit. But I am sick and tired of living in a pishke box state. If people want to donate, swell — but, we don't have to accept every structure suggested. Remember when someone wanted to put up a golden archway at the

entrance to Jerusalem?

I hope all those involved in the Yad Vashem project rethink it. Just think how many nice houses \$8 million could build.

LILA BRODSKY
Jerusalem.

AWARDS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In your issue of October 5, you report, under the headline "Now it can be told: War hasbara was a success," that the Foreign Ministry had awarded its annual commendation for excellence to the hasbara (information) department

for its "success in the hasbara effort during the Peace for Galilee Operation."

One feels it is perhaps the Ministry itself that for once deserved an award, for its sense of humour...
Ramat Gan. THEODORE LEVITE

POSTSCRIPTS

PS FIFTY students aged 19 to 83 recently participated in a graduation ceremony at Yaron Manor, the early-17th century estate of the Oxford Centre for Postgraduate Hebrew Studies, marking their successful completion of the Oxford Programme in Yiddish Language and Literature. They included many in their 20s and 30s, and many non-Jews as well as Jews from Belgium, England, France, Holland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Scotland, South Africa, Switzerland, the U.S. and West Germany.

Prof. Takeo Hirose, a Russian history specialist at the University of Tokyo, read an essay in Yiddish in which he described the language as his own bridge to world Jewry.

The guest speaker at the graduation was Dr. S. Levenberg, London correspondent of the New York Forward. The Djanogly family in London — who are Sephardim — made the Oxford Programme possible thanks to a generous donation. Courses for the summer are already being planned at Oxford.

PS THE FIRST nationwide conference of major Jewish organizations in the U.S. will convene in New York at the end of October to discuss the "catastrophic decline" in the Jewish birth rate over the past century that has made Jews "an endangered species."

The meetings will be held at the Minskoff Cultural Centre in Manhattan. Rabbi Robert Gordis, the chairman of the conference and professor emeritus of Bible at the Jewish Theological Seminary, is not completely pessimistic.

"There is growing evidence that the deep instinct for children, which has been out of fashion during the recent past, has not been destroyed. Rachel's pathetic cry to Jacob, 'Give me children or I perish,' is deeper than the vagaries of fashion or the shifting tides of style." J.S.I.

PS A PUBLIC opinion survey conducted for the Broadcasting Authority has concluded, unsurprisingly, that Israeli children and youth like to watch TV and listen to radio. A study by the Hebrew University's communications institute and the Israel Institute for Applied Social Research found that 96 per cent of youngsters aged 8 to 9 like the show 3, 4.5 and a Half. Of the 89 per cent of youngsters aged 8 to 18 who watch Mabat news, most are 16 to 18. Only a few small children watch Mabat. Popeye is popular not only among the toddlers but also among the older children. About 75 per cent of the youngsters polled listened to For the Girls, For the Boy and For Anyone Who's Interested, a radio show on the First Programme.

A survey has not yet been conducted to find out how many people listen to Kol Hamusica, the FM radio station that was the object of controversy due to the lack of FM receivers at home and in autos. J.S.I.

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SAVING MONEY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — When Israelis decide to cut back on their spending, I can let you know of one way of saving some money, and that is by not sending emissaries to English-speaking countries who have to sit there for two years without knowing enough English to be of any use to the community.

We are "blessed" here in Sydney with a Religious youth movement shaliyah from Bnei Akiva who came knowing a minimal amount of

YOM KIPPUR

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It was shocking to see such a deluge of bicycle riders on the evening of Yom Kippur. Children of all ages, teenagers and even some grown-ups frolicked on the empty roads which were meant to be empty in the first place.

It was also a bit upsetting to see people crowding the streets with such jubilation. There was a carnival atmosphere and I would not

be surprised if this Holy Day is turned into an annual sports event by these very same people.

The children should be told why the roads are empty — why there are no radios playing. To take advantage of the situation not only violates the true meaning of Yom Kippur, but is also sacrilegious and thoughtless.

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Tel Aviv.

